# Summer Reading 2021

In 7th Grade you will be focusing on your transition from 6th grade to 7th grade. These summer reading books have been selected to influence you by allowing you to experience stories that captivate the themes of forgiveness, redemption, society, and resilience. You will be completing the assignments attached as you read this summer, to identify themes, plot and reflecting on the events that take place in each book; these will be collected on the first day of school and will be graded. You are tasked to read **two** books this summer: 1 is mandatory and the other will be a book of your choosing from the following listen. The book *Old Yeller* by Fred Gipson is the mandatory book.

For each book, you must complete a literature review. Each literature review will contain; these are what will be graded and will be due on the first day back at school.

- 1. Theme Chart
- 2. Character Chart
- 3. Plot Tree
- 4. Reflection

It can be purchased on Amazon at the below link:

### <u>Mandatory</u> Old Yeller by Fred Gipson

#### Amazon:

https://www.amazon.com/Yeller-Perennial-Classics-Fred-Gipson/dp/0060935472/ref=sr 1 5?dchild=1&keywords=Old+Yeller&qid=1622723009&sr=8-5

#### Audio Book Version:

https://www.amazon.com/Yeller-Perennial-Classics-Fred-Gipson/dp/0060935472/ref=sr 1 2?dchild=1&keywords=old+yeller&gid=1622636831&sr=8-2

#### PDF Version:

https://books-library.net/files/books-library.online-01052052Yt4R9.pdf

Options for the 2nd book of your choosing are below:

#### **Fiction**

Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart
Monkey Island by Paula Fox
The Maze Runner by James Dashner
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse

Wonder by R. J. Palacio
The Stars Beneath Our Feet by David Barclay Moore
Ghost Boys by Jewell Parker Rhodes
Call of the Wild by Jack London
Hatchet by Gary Paulson

#### Non-Fiction

I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai
Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

## Literature Review (CHOOSE 2 OUT OF THE 4 OPTIONS BELOW TO COMPLETE FOR EACH NOVEL)

#### NOVEL 1

Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Characters: List three major characters in the novel with three or more (3+) phrases describing the key

acts (looks, thoughts, actions) about them. Responses must be handwritten neatly.				
CHARACTER	DESCRIPTION (looks, thoughts, actions)			
1.				
2.				
3.				

Plot Tree: Fill out the following plot tree with the 11 items asked for at the bottom. The 3 "events" in the rising action section, should be 3 parts of the novel that build up to the climax, or turning point of the story. The climax is where the biggest event takes place in the novel.

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Instructions: Complete the Plot Diagram

- 1. Title: Write the title of the Book
- 2. Opening Sentence: Write the opening sentence of the story
- 3. Characters: Please describe 2 of the major characters of the story. (Include physical appearance and personality)
- 4. Setting: Where does the story take place? (Use descriptive phrases from the story to support this) Rising action ---- These are the events that take place prior to the climax
- 5. Setting --- Where does the story begin? Be Specific (coffee shop, school, home, etc.)
- 6. Problem: Write the main problem that must be resolved before the story is over

- 7. Events: List the 3 main events/challenges that the main character(s) faces that moves the story along
- 8. Climax: List the turning point of the story; this is the part of the story where the most dramatic event takes place
- 9. Success/Outcome: Write how the story was resolved. What was the outcome?

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- 10. Closing Sentence: Write the final sentence of the story.
- 11. Theme: List **two** themes for the novel.

Choose your favorite quote from the novel. Be sure to include the page number that the quote was on. In the space below, write the quote, draw a picture that displays how you visualized the quote, and then write why this quote was important to you.

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