



SUMMER READING

**CHOOSE ONE BOOK
FROM THE FOLLOWING:**

INCOMING 6TH GRADERS

My Life in the Fish Tank by Barbara Dee
How to Train Your Dad by Gary Paulsen

INCOMING 7TH GRADERS

Tornado Brain by Cat Patrick ★
Unplugged by Gordon Korman

INCOMING 8TH GRADERS

Dead Wednesday by Jerry Spinelli
Speculation by Nisi Shawl

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SUMMER Reading Choice Board

Choose a novel for your grade level and complete 3 activities on the choice board, creating a tic-tac-toe.

Point of View Retell a major event of the novel from the perspective of a different character using 1 st person point of view. Retell the event using thoughts and feelings of the character. (3 paragraph min.)	Theme What is the message in the story? What lasting idea is the author trying to convey? Explain your reasoning by giving 3 pieces of text evidence (with page numbers next to entries).	Characterization Draw a portrait of one of your characters. Include captions that explains what your character is thinking, feeling, doing, seeing, and hearing in the scene you choose. Explain the importance of your captions.
Setting Draw a map of the main setting of the story (natural and man-made landmarks, places in the story, etc.) and a "key" that explains your map. Why are these features important to the plot and theme of the story?	Vocabulary As you read, make a list of 10 words that you did not know. Give the definition, part of speech, and why the word is important to the plot or message of the story.	Plot Describe 5 main events in the story. One from each: Beginning, rising action, climax, falling action, conclusion. Include evidence for each from the text to support your ideas (with page numbers).
Conflict (problem) What is the conflict? Man vs. man? Man vs. nature? Man vs. society? Man vs. himself? Choose 2 types of conflict. Write one paragraph about each and include evidence and page numbers.	Retelling Retell this story in a comic strip using your own words. Include main characters, setting, conflict, at least 2 major events, and conclusion. (Minimum of 6 comic strip boxes)	Questioning What questions do you have about this novel? Create 10 meaningful questions about the lives of the characters, how the conflict was resolved, etc.