

Welcome to the 7th Grade Reading Program!



Seventh grade is the beginning of your middle school adventure. This year we are going to discover all the kinds of reading that are out there. This is your chance to explore many different genres of novels. And who knows; you may discover something outstanding!



The program has two parts.



Part 1: Required Reading

Each quarter, you will be required to complete two independent novels.

The requirements for these books will change each quarter. Our goals are to raise your Lexile (reading comprehension) level, and to prepare you for 8th grade.



First Quarter

- You will read one novel of your choice; it must be 150 pages or more. You will check the book off with your teacher, and you will do a book talk about it for the class.
- You will choose one novel from a provided list of medieval books. You will do a class presentation about the book with a small group.

Second Quarter

- You will read two novels of your choice. They must each be at least 200 pages long.
- One of the books must have an AR test. You must complete the test by the end of the quarter.
- The second book will be presented to the class as a book talk. You will write a 1-page summary, which you may choose to use in your presentation.

Third Quarter

- You will read two novels of at least 200 pages long each.
- One of the books must relate to the themes of determination/courage or survival.
- The second book will be your choice.

Fourth Quarter

- You will read two novels total.
- One of the books must be at least 250 pages.
- One of the books must be nonfiction (such as a biography, autobiography, informational text, or any other true story).
- The same book can cover both requirements, as long as you still read a second book of your choice.

Your Mission...



- Choose books from a variety of genres. This is your year to explore!
- Choose books in the correct page range, and if possible, near your Lexile level.
- Do not choose books that have been movies!
- Do not choose books that have a lot of pictures, such as Diary of a Wimpy Kid.
- Your choices are open after you have completed that quarter's required reading.

Part 2: Reading Auctions!

At the same time that you are earning an A on your required reading, you may be earning money for a quarterly reading auction! Every page in a completed book becomes a dollar to spend.



Required Books

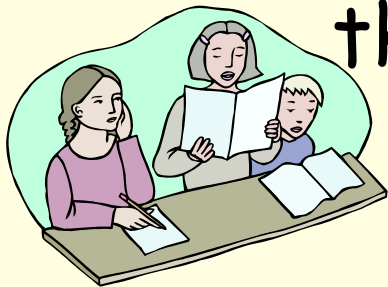
The two books you read each quarter for a grade in language arts can also earn you money. When you take your AR test, complete your class project, or do your presentation, your book will be passed off. The longer the book, the more money you will receive on the auction day!

AR Tests and Book Projects

After you finish your two required books each quarter, keep reading! Every time you finish a novel, you can pass an AR test or complete a book project to earn even more money for the auction. See your teacher for a list of projects.

Every time you finish a book, be sure to pass it off with your teacher!

In your classroom you will have a reading contract, which is a pink sheet where you record your completed books. You can write down your books at any time, but you can only receive the pages if you have a teacher signature!





Have fun!

