



## SEVENTH GRADE SUMMER READING 2020

*Read the following two books prior to the first day of school.*

1. Each student will read ***Black Ships before Troy: The Story of the Iliad*** by Rosemary Sutcliff (ISBN 978-0553494839). The class will be discussing this book in preparation for the study of ancient literature.

Please compose a paragraph, to be handed in the first day of class, with the following information:

- Title
- Author
- A summary of the plot (the key points of a Story Map)
- A description of three main characters in the book
- Three sentences telling whether or not the student would recommend the book to other readers, and why or why not

The paper may be typed or neatly handwritten using **black or blue ink only**.

The following criteria will be used to grade this assignment:

- a. The student's name appears in the top left corner of the paper. (2 points)
- b. The paper summarizes the plot. (10 points)
- c. The paper contains a description of three main characters. (9 points)
- d. The paper contains three sentences telling whether or not the student would recommend the book, and why or why not. (6 points)
- e. The paper is typed or neatly handwritten using black or blue ink, and includes the pledge of integrity. (5 points)

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2. Each student will also read **one book chosen from the Grades 7-8 Reading List** (attached to the end of this document). In four to six sentences, write a summary of the book.

The paper may be typed or handwritten using black or blue ink only. The following criteria will be used to grade this assignment:

- a. The student's name appears in the top left corner of the paper. (2 points)
- b. The paper contains 6-8 sentences summarizing the book. (10 points)
- c. The paper is typed or neatly handwritten using **black or blue ink**, and includes the pledge of integrity. (4 points)

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Students should affirm the integrity of their work by writing the following pledge on each assignment and signing it:

**I have read this whole book, and all written work is my own.**



## 2020 Grades 6-7 Summer Reading Lists

### Fiction

Author	Title
DeJong	<i>The House of Sixty Fathers</i>
Fletcher	<i>Shadow Spinner</i>
Lai	<i>Inside Out and Back Again</i>
Ransome	<i>Swallows and Amazons</i>
Rawlings	<i>The Yearling</i>
Stevenson	<i>Treasure Island</i>

### Non-Fiction

Author	Title
Bauer	<i>The Story of the World - Early Modern Times</i>
Bauer	<i>The Story of the World - The Modern Age</i>
Bendick	<i>Archimedes and the Door of Science</i>
Fritz	<i>Around the World in a Hundred Years</i>