

The Rock Academy
Summer Reading Enrichment

"The book to read is not the one that thinks for you but the one which makes you think."

-Harper Lee

7th-12th grade students,

This summer you will get the opportunity to read and explore a great novel! There are several options for each grade. You have all summer to read your novel and take notes on the plot, your thoughts, and questions. Your notes will be graded when you return to school, and the first couple weeks of school will be spent on projects related to the novel you read. Please research your grade's book options so you will choose a book that interests you. Each grade's book list has a different theme that is central within each novel. We hope you enjoy reading your novel and welcome it as a time for relaxation and reflection.

7th (Childhood)

Anne of Green Gables
Holes
Bridge to Terabithia

8th (Adventure)

Enders Game
Treasure Island
The Hobbit

9th (Perspective)

I am Malala
The Joy Luck Club
Go Tell It on the Mountain

10th (Identity)

**The Kite Runner
Touching Spirit Bear
**Catcher in the Rye

11th (Relationships)

Frankenstein
A Tale of Two Cities
The Things they Carried

12th (Redemption)

Jane Eyre
The Count of Monte Cristo
**The Hate You Give

AP Literature

Jane Eyre
The Count of Monte Cristo
*How to Read Novels
like a Professor

Expectations

- Read carefully and with the intent to learn the valuable life lessons within your book(s).
- Complete ORIGINAL notes for each chapter that include plot notes and at least one discussion worthy question. Using Spark Notes instead of reading will be obvious in your notes and not lead to a full understanding of your novel.
- See attached graphic organizer
- **HONORS/AP** students are expected to read **two** of the books on their grade's list.

***AP Literature** students must read How to Read Novels like a Professor as one of their two books.

**Parents and readers should be aware of the following: Kite Runner (sexually explicit content and offensive language); The Hate You Give (drug use, profanity); Catcher in the Rye (profanity).

Additional Reading News

With the addition of summer reading comes the departure of Accelerated Reader (AR). We have decided that in middle school and high school we would like the students focused on enjoying the novels this summer and within the classroom during the school year. As our students grow older, we want them to have more flexibility with the reading they choose to do for fun. This will also lead to more meaningful reading of the books within the curriculum!

Name _____

Chapter

Book Title:

Summary: (important events beginning, middle, and end)

THEME: What is a likely theme of the novel? Did anything occur in this chapter to support one?

CONNECTION: Identify a moment that connects to your life, other books, earlier in the book, etc

Noteworthy Quote include pg. #

**One Question worthy of a
WHOLE CLASS DISCUSSION:**

What Quote Means:

Why it Matters: