



LACS Summer Assignment for Incoming 7th and 8th Graders

We hope that you enjoy some interesting, great reading this summer! Choose one of the three Summer Reading Assignment levels (bronze, silver or gold) below. In choosing your books, please select books that are at your grade-level or reading level. Bring back the acknowledgment form in the fall for credit.

Bronze (Receive 100% Assignment Grade in English)

- Read 2 books that match your grade-level or reading level
- Answer the following questions in complete sentences for each book. Choose the question set that applies to each of your books (fiction/non-fiction):

Fiction

- 1) What is the setting of your book?
- 2) Who is the protagonist?
- 3) What is the main conflict?
- 4) How is the main conflict solved?

Non-fiction

- 1) What character in this book would you like to meet?
- 2) What is something you learned from reading this book?
- 3) Would you recommend this book to others? Why or why not?

Silver (Receive 100% Assignment Grade + 50% Extra Credit in English)

- Read 3 books that match your grade-level or reading level
- Type a 1-page review for one of the books. Include a short summary of the setting, characters and plot. Include a rating of 1 - 5 stars. Explain the reason(s) for your rating.

Gold: (Receive 100% Assignment Grade + 100% Extra Credit in English)

- Read 4 books that match your grade-level or reading level.
- Create a Character Analysis Table describing two of your book's main character's personality traits. Give three pieces of evidence that support your claim. Include the page number of the quote. Explain the significance of the quote (how it supports your claim). Below is one example from the book *Wonder*.

Character: Summer Character Trait: Kind

Evidence	Explanation
“Hey, is this seat taken?” I looked up, and a girl I never saw before was standing across from my table with a lunch tray full of food. She had long wavy brown hair, and wore a brown T-shirt with a purple peace sign on it”(51)	On the first day of school, Summer approaches August and sits with him when he is all alone at lunch. This is a very kind thing that Summer does.

Optional: Writing Assignment (100% Extra Credit Assignment in English)

- 1) Write a creative 2-5 page adventure story about your dream vacation. Please make sure your story has a beginning, middle and end. Be sure your story has a clear setting, conflict, climax and resolution.
 - Extension: Include at least one way that your protagonist changes by the end of your story.

- 2) Write a 1-page book or movie review that includes a brief summary of the plot and a rating on a 5-star scale. Give a reason for your rating (i.e. surprise ending, excellent acting, unique characters, special effects, cinematography). (*If you did this assignment as part of the Silver-level required assignment, you may do an additional review of a movie or one of your other books.)

- 3) Write a 2-page biographical sketch about someone you admire. Include information about their beginnings, admirable qualities, and their accomplishments. Include people and events that inspired your person. You may choose to read a biography of your book to learn more about this person. Please make sure you cite all sources in MLA Format in your writing.

Optional: Community Service (100% extra credit assignment grade in Bible)

- Complete 2 hours of Community Service and choose one of the following projects. Your parents must approve the project.
 - 1) Type a 1-page reflection of your experience (what you did, why you chose that particular activity, what you learned, what surprised you, what thoughts/feelings you had about the experience)

 - 2) Create a 4-slide Powerpoint Presentation that includes the activity that you did, an image(s) that help us understand something about your experience, at least 3 bullet points that give us an idea of what you thought about the experience.

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Acknowledgment Form

The books I chose for my required reading are written below. (Please include title and author. Remember to capitalize words that need to be capitalized.)

1. _____ (all levels)

2. _____ (all levels)

3. _____ (silver/gold level)

4. _____ (gold level)

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____