



To: Parents/Guardians of Atlantis Charter School's 7th grade students entering 8th grade
From: Ms. Locke
Date: June 15, 2018
Re: **Summer Reading Project Requirements**

In keeping with Atlantis Charter School's quest to improve the reading skills of all our students, the school will be providing a summer reading project.

The focus of this reading project is as follows:

1. Reinforce reading ***strategies***,
2. Polish ***comprehension*** skills, and
3. Provide practice in a variety of ***methods*** to report on a story.

The summer project that has been chosen for ***7th grade students moving to 8th*** will require your child to:

- *Read 1 book of your choice*

Assignments:

- Chapter Summary Notes: Write approximately 5-8 sentences for each chapter summarizing the events.
- Reading Response Questions: In addition to writing chapter summary notes, students must also respond to 7 "Reader Response Guiding Questions". Responses may be typed or written on white-lined paper.

Yours in education,

Ms. Locke, 8th grade Language Arts & Reading

Reader Response Guiding Questions

1. How is a character in your book similar or different to a character in another book, movie, or someone you know? Explain how the two characters are similar and/or how they are different.
2. If you could change one thing in the book, what would it be? Why would you change it? How would you change it?
3. Choose a character and explain how the character changes throughout the story. What causes the change? What lessons does the character learn?
4. If you had to persuade someone else to read this book, what would you say? Without revealing the resolution (ending), write enough about this book to make someone else want to read it.
5. Discuss the creative techniques the author used to make the story more effective (ex. flashbacks, point of view, foreshadowing, and descriptive words). Explain how these techniques helped or interfered with your understanding of the story.
6. What is one conflict in the story? How was the conflict resolved? What might have happened if the conflict was not resolved?
7. What is an important lesson or message that you learned from this novel? How did the author reveal this message or lesson?