

8th Grade ILA Summer Assignment

Read **two** of the books that interest you from the following list that YOU HAVE NOT READ BEFORE. Write a 1-2 page summary of each book.* Include a short book review for other students in your summary. Would you recommend that they read this book? Why or Why not? What type of reader would be most interested in this book and why?

Have a great summer! See you in August.

~Mrs. Shorr

Anderson, Laurie Halse	<i>Fever 1793</i>
Austen, Jane	<i>Pride and Prejudice</i>
Avi	<i>True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle or Crispin</i>
Barrett, William E.	<i>Lilies of the Field</i>
Choldenko, Gennifer	<i>Al Capone Does My Shirts</i>
Crane, Stephen	<i>Red Badge of Courage</i>
Creech, Sharon	<i>Walk Two Moons</i>
Curtis, Christopher	<i>Bud, Not Buddy or The Watsons Go to Birmingham</i>
Cushman, Karen	<i>Catherine, Called Birdie</i>
Erskine, Kathryn	<i>Mockingbird</i>
Fox, Paula	<i>Slave Dancer</i>
Frank, Anne	<i>The Diary of a Young Girl</i>
George, Jean Craighead	<i>My Side of the Mountain</i>
Gunther, John	<i>Death Be Not Proud</i>
Hesse, Karen	<i>Out of the Dust</i>
Hunt, Irene	<i>Across Five Aprils</i>
Kelly, Jacqueline	<i>Evolution of Calpurnia Tate</i>
Juster, Norton	<i>The Phantom Tollbooth</i>
Lee, Harper	<i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>
Lichtman, Wendy	<i>Secrets, Lies, and Algebra</i>
London, Jack	<i>White Fang</i>
Lupica, Mike	<i>Any Book</i>
Mortenson, Greg	<i>Three Cups of Tea</i>
O'Dell, Scott	<i>Sing Down the Moon</i>
Paulsen, Gary	<i>The Island, Hatchet, or My Life in Dog Years</i>
Ruth White	<i>Belle Prater's Boy</i>
Ryan, Pam Munoz	<i>Esperanza Rising</i>
Smith, Roland	<i>Tentacles</i>
Speare, Elizabeth George	<i>The Witch of Blackbird Pond</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Stargirl or Winger</i>
Stead, Rebecca	<i>When You Reach Me</i>
Stevenson, Robert Louis	<i>Treasure Island</i>
Tolkien, J.R.R.	<i>The Hobbit</i>
Voigt, Cynthia	<i>Izzy Willy Nilly, Homecoming, or Dicey's Song</i>
Westerfeld, Scott	<i>Uglies</i>

++Another age appropriate book by one of these authors would also be acceptable. If you have another idea that is not on this list, email me at kshorr@sismch.org to ask if it is ok. It may take up to a week for me to respond.++

*As a reminder, the summary should be your own work, not something copied from somewhere else.