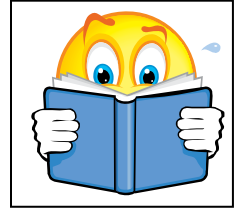


Lincoln Middle School
Grade 8 Summer Reading 2009-2010

Students entering eighth grade **must read at least two books** over summer vacation. After you've read your books, you must complete this book review form for one of the books. Additionally, you **may** be asked to do a two to three minute book talk on the reviewed book when you return to school in the fall. **You will be required to hand in this review sheet in the first week of school.**

Book Review Form



Book Title: _____

Author: _____

Who do you think might be especially interested in reading this book (audience)? Why?

In four to five sentences, summarize what the book is about.

Would you encourage your peers and teachers to read this book? Give specific reasons/examples as to why or why not.

Signature of a parent or guardian indicates that the student has completed two books.

Book one: Title _____

Author _____

Parent signature _____

(My child completed one book.)

Book two: Title _____

Author _____

Parent signature _____

(My child completed a second book.)

Student's Name _____

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Summer Reading Suggestions

Did you know that kids who read more are more successful in school? Did you also know that not reading during the summer can set you back! That's why our goal for you during the summer is to keep you reading! Making good book selections is an important part of becoming a literate person, also known as a good reader and writer. That's why we're giving you the opportunity to choose your summer reading books this year.

That's right! You get to choose which books you read. That means you can read **any type of fiction or nonfiction**. When choosing your books, please be sure that they are appropriate for your reading level and age. (Parents or guardians: Please review your child's book choices.)

Here are some suggestions to help you have a pleasurable summer reading experience!

Web Sites

If you read at least two of the Rhode Island Teen Book Award nominees for 2010, you'll be eligible to win a prize if you vote for your favorite! The LMS Library and P.A.C.T. have teamed up to buy copies of many of the nominees, and to offer incentives for you to read these great titles! Go to the web address listed below to see which titles are nominated for the 2010 award. Most will be available at the public library or at the Family Literacy Center.

Rhode Island Teen Book Award

(http://www.yourlibrary.ws/ya_webpage/ritba/ritbaindex.htm)
You can find the current nominees (2010), and nominees and winners from the past.

Greenville Public Library's "Radical Reads" Page

(http://www.yourlibrary.ws/ya_webpage/yabibliographies.htm)
provides MANY suggestions for good books. The lists are categorized by genre (topic).

ALA's Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers

(<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/booklistsawards/quickpicks/qphome.cfm>)

The American Library Association's Young Adult Services creates lists of books that appeal to young adults. If reading isn't your favorite thing, but you have to do it, you should check out this site for some suggestions on books that may actually "**turn you on to**" reading.

What's Next?: Teen Series and Sequels

(<http://www.bettendorflibrary.com/bpl-bin/series.pl>) provides lists by series name and author, in case you're not sure of the order of books in a series you're reading.

The Stacks at Scholastic - Authors and Illustrators

(<http://www.scholastic.com/kids/stacks/authors/all.htm>)
Visit Scholastic's site to read more about some of your favorite authors and illustrators.

Favorite 8th Grade Authors

Lloyd Alexander	Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Laurie Halse Anderson	Garth Nix
Avi	Joan Lowery Nixon
Meg Cabot	Robert O'Brien
Eoin Colfer	Kenneth Oppel
Caroline Cooney	James Patterson
Sharon Creech	Tamora Pierce
Chris Crutcher	Richard Peck
Sarah Dessen	Rodman Philbrick
Carl Deuker	Philip Pullman
Sharon Draper	Cynthia Rylant
John Feinstein	Louis Sachar
Alex Flinn	Neal Shusterman
Margaret Peterson Haddix	Jerry Spinelli
Mary Downing Hahn	J.R.R. Tolkien
S.E. Hinton (not <i>The Outsiders</i>)	
Will Hobbs	Cynthia Voight
Alice Hoffman	Scott Westerfeld
Anthony Horowitz	Jacqueline Woodson
Peg Kehret	Jane Yolen
Gordon Korman	
Madeline L'Engle	
Lois Lowry	
Mike Lupica	
Robin McKinley	
Walter Dean Myers	



Things to Consider When Choosing Books

The book has a compelling cover.
The title sounds intriguing.
You've enjoyed other books by the author.
You've liked other books in the series.
You're interested in the topic covered in the book.
A friend recommended it.

Rhode Island Grade Level Expectations (GLE's)

R-8-17.1 Self-selecting reading materials in line with reading ability and personal interests
R-8-14.1 Reading with frequency, including in-school, out-of-school, and summer reading
R-8-14.2 Reading from a wide range of genres/kinds of text...
W-8-9 Writing Conventions - Applying Rules of Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics
W-8-11 ? Sharing thoughts, observations, or impressions