



SCAN ME

Summer Reading 2020 Grades 6, 7, 8

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The middle school years are critical in developing life-long reading habits. To assist students in retaining the skills they currently have, *support the development of new skills*, and promote the concepts of the Next Generation Learning Standards, **we strongly recommend that a minimum of two books be read during the summer months**. Students can choose their own books to read, fiction and/or nonfiction, but teachers strongly recommend that one selection be a nonfiction text.

Summer reading should be completed by Monday, September 21st, 2020.

There will be a graded assignment in September based on the summer reading.

For a list of suggested titles and reading lists, please go to the Connor Middle School Library webpage <https://www.grandislandschools.org/Page/558> and search under **Summer Reading**.

Books may be found online by accessing the link on the Library Media Center webpage or the Google Classroom of your child's **current** ELA teacher. Of course, you may choose to purchase a title or titles. *As always, any title approved by a parent or guardian is also acceptable.*

With the recent global pandemic there are also several options now to borrow digital books. Students can access our catalog of eBooks by going to <https://www.grandislandschools.org/Page/484> or by using the Sora app <https://soraapp.com> and locating our school. A video tutorial on using Sora and OverDrive can be found on the main VCMS library website. For an electronic library card from the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library go to <http://vf.buffalolib.org/vufind/OnlineSignup/Home/> and for general information on borrowing eBooks go to <https://www.buffalolib.org/books-movies-music/download-instructions>

Following this letter are two forms that your child may complete when reading to record information that could be helpful in completing the graded assignment in the fall. Additional forms are available on the MS Library website. ***The forms are not the graded assignment and may or may not be collected by your child's ELA teacher.***

Your encouragement, involvement, and support are important components for your child's success. Thank you for your help in promoting literacy and a love of reading!

Sincerely,
VCMS ELA Teachers
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Name: _____

FICTION

Title: _____

Author: _____

Genre: _____



Important characters and a brief description of each:

Character: _____

Description: _____

Character: _____

Description: _____

A major conflict: _____

How the conflict was resolved: _____

Brief summary of the plot:

Name: _____

NONFICTION

Title: _____

Author: _____



Important topics and a brief description of each:

Topic: _____

Description: _____

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Description: _____

Based on my reading, I learned:

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Brief summary of the text:
