

Dear Seventh Grade Students and Parents:

Welcome to Seventh Grade English! This summer you will be required to read a book, complete a project, and give an oral book report to fulfill your summer reading obligation. **Students entering 7th grade must complete reading and project by the first day of school (Oral book report will be given during the first week of school).** Specific guidelines for students entering seventh grade are outlined below:

1. Read a book of your choosing **from the attached lists below.**
2. Complete the summer project for all incoming 7th graders—*see attached.*
3. Complete the contract indicating that you have read the book of your choice. ***The student and the parent must sign the contract.*** By signing the contract, parents are approving their child's selection for the book of their choice.
4. **Turn in the contract and on the first day of school. Your t-shirt and oral report need to be prepared before the first day of school. Presentation days for oral book reports will be assigned during the first week of school. There will be a 10% grade reduction in the grade for each day the assignment is late.**

2023 Summer Reading Program Contract

NAME: _____

GRADE ENTERING IN THE FALL: ____

Summer Reading — Personal Selection:

(ONE REQUIRED -- See Summer Reading List for suggestions)

Title: _____

Author: _____

HONOR PLEDGE:

I pledge my honor that I have completed a thorough reading of the above listed novel by the first day of school.

SIGNED (student) _____ **Date** _____

NAME (please print) _____

SIGNED (parent) _____

T-Shirt Book Report Instructions

For your T-shirt Book Report, you will design a t-shirt to advertise and explain your book.
You will wear your creation to class and explain the book to the class.

Your t-shirt should include the following elements:

5. Title
6. Author
7. Characters (description)
8. Setting
9. One-sentence statement about the book's main theme (or idea)
10. Favorite quote or saying
11. Pictures
12. Your recommendation
13. Color
14. Your Name

- Use the front and back of the shirt.
- Except for the statement about the book's main theme and your favorite quote, you do not need to use complete sentences.
- You may use markers, paint, iron-ons, sew-on items, etc.
- **Quality and creativity count!**

Your t-shirt will be graded on completeness, color, neatness, and creativity!

T-Shirt Book Report	Possible Points	Points Earned
Completed T-shirt (see list above)	40	
Overall Neatness, Quality, and Creativity	10	



Oral Book Report Instructions

While wearing your t-shirt, you will give an oral report on your book.

You must talk about the following things:

- (1) Give the book title and author.
- (2) Talk about the main characters in the book.
- (3) Explain the setting of the book.
- (4) Explain the rising action
- (5) Discuss the conflict (man vs. man, man vs. nature, etc.)
- (4) Explain the main theme of the book (without giving away the ending).
- (5) Tell the class your favorite quote or saying from the book. Explain why it is your favorite.
- (6) Explain how the pictures on your t-shirt relate to the book.
- (7) Do you recommend the book to the class? Why or why not?

-- You will be graded on how clearly you speak and your eye contact with the class.

-- Make sure you practice before you share your t-shirt and oral report in class.

Oral Report	Possible Points	Points Earned
Title/Author	5	
Main Characters	10	
Setting	10	
Main Theme/Idea	10	
Favorite Quote/Saying	10	
Pictures/Illustrations (color)	25	
Book Recommendation	15	
Overall Quality of Presentation	15	