Summer 2017: 6th Grade HGP English

Read three books total, choose a fourth to start reading in September

1. Read a selection from the MS Book Group List. There is no assignment associated with this selection. We will be meeting in book talk groups to discuss the story the first week of school.

2. Choose your 2nd and 3rd choice books from the 6th grade reading list.

3. Complete a graphic organizer for each of the books from the 6th grade list. A non-fiction or fiction template is attached.

4. Keep a list of additional books you may read this summer. Bring it the first day of class.

5. To start the school year, come to class with another book (a fourth selection) from the 6th grade list or the MS Book Group List that you would like to read at the start of the school year. We will be reading this text during our reading workshop period.

Writing

In addition to reading this summer, your job is to write me one letter and write three responses to the choice books you read.

Your letter must include:

- ❑ The date, fully written out (ex. May 24, 2017)
- ❑ A greeting (*Dear Ms. Rogers,*)
- ❑ At least one paragraph (6-8 sentences)
- ❑ A formal sign-off (ex. *Sincerely, ...)*

Letter : Who are you? (Purpose: to inform)

In your letter, you will tell me a bit about yourself. Help me get to know you! You may use the following questions to guide you, or you may write about something entirely different.

- What do you love to do outside of school?
- What makes you happy?
- What upsets you?
- How might your friends describe you?
- What do you find enjoyable/unenjoyable in school?
- If you were a kitchen appliance or gadget, what would you be? Why?

Reading Responses

For each book you read this summer, you will write a reading response (total 3 responses). Each response must be 6-8 sentences in length. You can choose any of the following prompts for your response.

I was surprised when..... because.....

I was fascinated by ..... because.....

I was shocked when ..... Because.....

I wonder why.....

I can't believe.....

..... reminds me of..... because.....

(Name of character) seems to be doing ..... because.....

(Name of character) seems to be (emotion) ..... Because.....

I noticed that ..... because.....