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Grade 7 Summer Reading Directions

You will be reading the following books:

- 1) *Gossamer* by Lois Lowry
- 2) *Peak* by Roland Smith

Choose one of the following:

- *Stargirl* by Jerry Spinelli
- *Rules* by Cynthia Lord
- *Turtle in Paradise* by Jennifer Holm

Grade 7 Summer Reading Assignment:

- 1) You will need to obtain a composition notebook to do your assignment in.
- 2) You will complete your assignment as you read *Peak* by Roland Smith.
- 3) You will be doing a double entry journal while reading *Peak* that will be due on the first day of school.

Directions for Double Entry Journal:

- 1) You will need to do 30 entries throughout the book. Your entries should be neatly written and in complete sentences. Each entry should be labeled with the correct page number.
- 2) Use the left-hand side of the page to record a sentence or sentences from the text. Copy the passage exactly as it is written. It can be a key event, interesting language, a critical fact, the main idea, a problem, a character sketch, etc. Remember to write the page number.
- 3) Use the right-hand side of the page to respond to your selected passage. You can respond with feelings, questions, connections, explanations, theories, analyses, predictions, etc. Remember to respond with at least two (2) clear and complete sentences. You may use the sample sentence starters.

Sentence Starters for Right Side - My Response

- ★ These words/phrases make me think of . . .
- ★ This passage reminds me of a time when . . .
- ★ I had a similar conflict/situation when . . .
- ★ This passage reminds me of ____ in another piece I have read (tell what it is you read)...
- ★ The author has created a ____ mood by . . .
- ★ The most important part is . . .
- ★ I infer...
- ★ I am confused
- ★ I previously thought ____ about _____. Now my thinking has changed because . . .
- ★ Why...

Example from *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*:

What the Text Says	Page #	My Response
"Blood was pounding in his ears. He mounted the broom and kicked hard against the ground and up, up he soared; air rushed through his hair, and his robes whipped out behind him- and in a rush of fierce joy he realized he found something he could do without being taught- this was easy, this was wonderful."	148	I feel that this moment in the book is a really important moment for Harry Potter. Up until now, Harry Potter never seems to fit in. He doesn't fit in to the muggle world or with his muggle family because he is a wizard. The Wizard World is so new to him that he doesn't yet fit in at Hogwarts either. He is constantly learning about how to be a wizard when most of his classmates have had this knowledge their whole lives. For the first time, Harry Potter is a natural at something, which will lead him to find a place where he will fit in- on the Quidditch team.

How you will be graded:

Entries are all completed and done well. Entries reflect an understanding of the text. Passages that are chosen are key to the story. Responses show an understanding of the text.

3 points for each entry for a total of 90 points.

Neatness/ Followed directions on how to set up the journal 10 points

Assignment 2: Wanted Poster

You will choose one of the following books to read and do this assignment on:

- Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli
- Rules by Cynthia Lord
- Turtle in Paradise by Jennifer Holm

After reading the novel of your choice, you will do the following assignment.

- 1) Choose your favorite character from the book and draw your picture on your "Wanted" poster.
- 2) Post your illustration on small poster paper under the title Wanted.
- 3) Provide a physical description of this character: hair color, eye color, age, outfit, etc.
- 4) Describe the character's habits: things the character likes to do, places the character likes to go, etc.
- 5) Describe the character's importance to the book
- 6) Include a memorable quote from the character
- 7) Put name, book title, and author's name on the back

Grading Checklist:

- Poster is titled with Wanted (5 points)
- Character illustration is neat/resembles description in text (15 points)
- Character's physical attributes are described (15 points)
- Character's habits are described (15 points)
- Character's importance to the book is described (15 points)
- Memorable quote included (10 points)
- Correct grammar, spelling, punctuation (10 points)
- Title/author of the novel and student name on back (5 points)
- Neatness/Effort (10 points)

➤ Project due on the first day of school