



8th GRADE 2020-2021 SUMMER READING LIST

Ascension School will continue the summer reading program. Students entering the 8th grade for the 2020-2021 school year will be required to read two (2) of the listed books over the summer. The books may be found on the shelves of mall bookstores or in the public library.

After reading each book, complete the attached book review form for the books of your choosing. Both book reviews should be turned in the first week of school and credit will be given.

If this information gets misplaced, you can also access on our website <https://acsk8.org/> under Parents / Forms & Lists / 2020-2021 Summer Reading Lists.

The Invention of Wings	Sue Monk Kidd
Izzy, Willy-Nilly	Cynthia Voigt
Million Dollar Throw	Mike Lupica
Mockingbird	Kathryn Erskine
Murder on the Orient Express	Agatha Christie
Red Badge of Courage	Stephen Crane
Rifles For Watie	Harold Keith
Robinson Crusoe	Daniel Defoe
Stargirl	Jerry Spinelli
The Book Thief	Markus Zusak
The Help	Kathryn Stockett
The Lost Hero	Rick Riordan
The Secret Life of Bees	Sue Monk Kidd
The Story of My Life	Helen Keller
The Thief Lord	Cornelia Funke
The Uglies	Scott Westerfeld
The Wanderer	Sharon Creech

The novel, which will be taught during 8th grade, will be *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee. **This novel must be purchased by the first week of school and given to the Literature teacher to hold until used.** Please put the student's name and homeroom inside the front cover.

8TH GRADE - 2020-2021 SUMMER BOOK REVIEW

Name: _____

Title: _____

Author: _____

1. **Exposition:** characters, setting, & short beginning

2. **Conflict:** What is the main conflict? Is it internal or external?

3. **Think Critically:** Write about 2 examples of a character showing problem-solving skills, asking important questions, or looking for evidence rather than believing what someone says. **Include the page number.**
 - 1.

 - 2.

4. **Acts Responsibly:** 2 examples of a character choosing to do the right thing or taking responsibility for his or her actions. **Include the page number.**
 - 1.

 - 2.

5. **Out of 5 stars, how many stars would you give this book? Explain your rating.**

6. **In forty (40) words or less, summarize the story. Use the back of this paper to write your summary.**