



5th Grade Summer Reading 2023

Hello, Incoming 5th Graders!

I hope you are having a great summer and are excited about getting back to school. Before you come back, you need to complete the 5th-grade summer reading project. Below are the instructions for you to complete at home. You should have the project finished prior to the first week of school. Here are the steps:

1. Read the novel listed below
2. Write the two-paragraph character response
 - a. 6 sentences per paragraph
3. Complete ONE of the activities from the choice board (second page of this document)
4. Bring to school the first week of school
 - a. May be handwritten or typed

Step 1: Read the following novel:

- *The Door in the Wall* by Marguerite De Angeli

Step 2: Follow the directions below to complete your 2 paragraph essay about the book you chose.

Goal: Compare and contrast two of the characters from the book.

Paragraph 1: Answer the questions below to create your first 6-sentence paragraph.

- ☐ What two characters did you pick? Describe them.
- ☐ How are they similar?
- ☐ What is a quote(s) from the book that shows one way they are similar?
- ☐ Do the two characters get along? Why or why not?

Paragraph 2: Answer the questions below to create your second 6-sentence paragraph.

- ☐ How are the two characters different?
- ☐ What is a quote(s) from the book that shows one way they are different from each other?
- ☐ Do the two characters ever get into a fight/disagreement? Why or why not?
- ☐ At the end of the book, how does the two characters' relationship end? (Friends, enemies, or neutral) Why?

□ Step 3: Complete 1 activity

<p>* Advertisement *</p> <p>Make an advertisement to persuade people to buy and read your book. On a sheet of paper or poster. Write down an exciting summary, 5-7 sentences, of the book and why people should buy/read the book. Create an image that would catch someone's eye.</p>	<p># Montage #</p> <p>Create a montage that represents the different story elements of the book. You should have 2-3 pictures to represent each of the below elements. With each picture write a sentence explaining how it relates to the element it is representing. (Characters, Setting, Plot, & Conflict)</p>	<p>* Letter to the Author *</p> <p>Write a letter to the author expressing your thoughts about the book. What did you like, what didn't you like, and what would have you changed? You must include at least 2 events that happened in the book to support your thoughts. Your letter altogether should be 5-7 sentences.</p>
<p># Award #</p> <p>Create an award and give it to the best character in your book. Write 4-6 sentences about what the award is for and why that character received the award. Draw a picture of what the award looks like.</p>	<p>* Postcards *</p> <p>Imagine you are taking a summer vacation to the main setting of a book you read. Design a set of three postcards from the trip illustrating and explaining what you and your family would do on this vacation in letter format with at least 3 sentences on each postcard.</p>	<p># Bookmark #</p> <p>Create an illustrated bookmark. The bookmark might summarize previous chapters or contain the definitions of challenging vocabulary words. It could also include character names and quotes or a description of the setting. Make it colorful.</p>
<p>* Jump In *</p> <p>Describe a scene you would want to jump into. Your 5-7 sentence description should include what is happening in the scene, who is there, and how it ends.</p>	<p># Theme Song #</p> <p>Pick an appropriate song that you think would make a great theme song for the book or that the main character would enjoy listening to. Write 4-6 sentences explaining your choice.</p>	<p>* Sequel *</p> <p>You become the author by writing a description of what the sequel of the book would look like. Your 5-7 sentence description should include what event you think would happen in the next book.</p>

If you have any questions about this year's summer reading assignments. Please email me at ajagitsch@parkwaychristian.org