

3rd-8th Grade

Summer Reading



RPC Christian Academy

Summer Reading Assignment

1. The following summer reading books were selected to allow you to explore the theme of **Discovering Ourselves and Creating Community**.
2. Read at least two of the books from the list and complete the assignment for each.
3. When you return to school in August, you will be asked to analyze, summarize, discuss, and write about the text(s) you read.

8th grade:

1. A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens
2. To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
3. The Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis
4. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
5. Ben-Hur: A Tale of Christ by Lew Wallace
6. Cheaper by the Dozen by Frank B. Gilbreth Jr.
7. Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe

7th grade:

1. A Wind in the Door by Madeleine L'Engle
2. The Pilgrim's Progress by John Bunyan
3. Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls
4. Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens
** Anne de Graaf adaptation acceptable*
5. Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
6. Catherine, Called Birdy by Alison Strickland
7. Freak the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick

6th grade:

1. A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle
2. A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens
3. The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane
4. The Cay by Theodore Taylor
5. The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling
6. The War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells
7. Rip Van Winkle by Washington Irving

5th grade:

1. Pilgrim's Progress (in Today's English) by John Bunyan
2. Anne of Green Gables by L. M. Montgomery
3. The Old Man and The Sea by Earnest Hemingway
4. The Swiss Family Robinson by Johann David Wyss
5. Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift
6. Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
7. The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

4th grade:

1. Fables by Arnold Lobel
2. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll
3. Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder
**or any book in the series*
4. The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry
5. Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
6. Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
7. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

3rd grade:

1. James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl
2. Stuart Little by E. B. White
3. The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman
4. Mr. Popper's Penguins by Florence and Richard Atwater
5. Black Beauty by Anna Sewell
6. Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish
7. Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren

Discovery, Creation, & Lessons for Growth

Part 1: Identifying Character Traits

As you read, identify two major characters from your selected book. Identify one character trait for each character. Then, find three pieces of evidence from the text that illustrate the character trait. If you need more space, you can use another sheet of paper.

*See chart below

Character and Trait	Evidence from text (Include the page number)
	<p>1. _____ page # _____</p> <p>2. _____ page # _____</p>

Part II: Conflict and Resolution

Identify a conflict in the book and then determine how it was resolved. Use the chart on the following page to take notes on the conflict and the resolution.

<p>Conflict: A problem within a character <i>or</i> between a character and an outside force</p> <p><i>What is the problem?</i></p>	<p>Resolution: The manner in which a conflict is solved</p> <p><i>How is the conflict solved?</i></p>