

Rising 6th Grade Summer Reading and Writing Assignment

ASSIGNED BOOK 1: Esperanza Rising by Pam Muñoz Ryan

ASSIGNED BOOK 2: Sunder by William H. Armstrong

ASSIGNED BOOK 3: Choose **one** Newbery Award Winner or Newbery Honor Book.

2015: *The Crossover* by Kwame Alexander

2014: *Flora & Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures* by Kate DiCamillo

2013: *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate

2006: *Criss Cross* by Lynne Rae Perkins

2000: *Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis

1999: *Holes* by Louis Sachar

1995: *Walk Two Moons* by Sharon Creech

1992: *Shiloh* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

1990: *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry

1988: *Lincoln: A Photobiography* by Russell Freedman

1984: *Dear Mr. Henshaw* by Beverly Cleary

1978: *Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson

1972: *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* by Robert C. O'Brien

1971: *Summer of the Swans* by Betsy Byars

1963: *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle

More Newbery titles can be found here:

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/newberymedal/newberywinners/medalwinners>

Optional Book 4: Choose a Rick Riordan novel that you have not read:

*Percy Jackson and the Olympians #s 1-5 about 300 pages

*Heroes of Olympus #1-5 about 600+ pages

*Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard Series about 500 pages

*Kane Chronicles #1-3 about 400+ Pages

*Greek Gods 400 pages

*39 Clues (These are by various authors. Check out the Rick Riordan version.)

→Please note: your 6th grade teachers as that you NOT read the following titles as summer reading, as they may be chosen to be read as whole class texts for the 2018-2019 school year.

Out of the Dust, Maniac Magee, Witch of Blackbird Pond, If Stones Could Speak, Hatchet

WRITING ASSIGNMENT:

In order to reflect on your reading,
please complete the following two
assignments for your first 6th Grade
English Grade of the 2018-19 school
year:

Assignment #1: Write a **one-page report** comparing the point of view of the main character/narrator in Esperanza Rising and Souder. Why do you think the authors chose this point of view? What does the point of view add or take away from the text?

Assignment #2: Write a **one to two-page summary** of the Newbery book that you chose. Include the point of view, structure, characters, plot structure, setting or settings, and conflict/solution.

Write neatly on loose-leaf paper, or type and print your responses (using 12 point Times New Roman font).