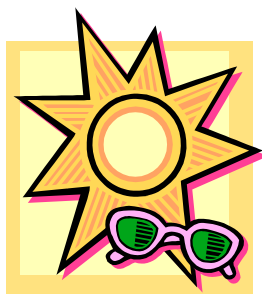


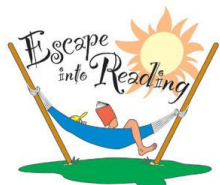
2010 Summer Reading List for New Eighth Graders



Dear Parents/Guardians,

As the temperatures rise and thoughts turn to summer, we all look forward to the relaxing activities summer vacation brings. One way to relax is to find a good book and get lost in a new adventure. Summer reading is a great opportunity for parents to support their children's lifelong reading habits and share in the joy that a good book brings. We hope that you will take the time to talk with your child about the reading he or she has enjoyed over the past several months and make plans together for summer reading. **READING** is a skill that takes practice - lots of practice - just like running a marathon, learning to swim or playing an instrument. Summer reading helps students of all ability levels to sharpen their skills and to become recreational readers for life.

To support summer reading the **LEBANON SCHOOLS** and the Jonathan Trumbull Public Library have compiled lists of summer reading choices for students at all grade levels. Over the summer, students are asked to read **at least two books** which may be the reader's own choice or chosen from the Summer Reading Lists.



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Please participate in the book selection process with your child to ensure that the book's theme, reading level, and content are age appropriate and respect your family's values and interests. In the fall, students are asked to return their summer reading record. In grade 8, students will complete the Eighth Grade Reading Log that is attached to this list. They must also complete the attached Book Report for **two books read**. In September, upon returning to school, students will also be required to complete an in class Summer Reading project which Ms. Millerd, the Language Arts teacher, will assign in the first week of school. Students will receive recognition for the number of books read.

Thank you for supporting our summer reading initiative. We hope that you share our enthusiasm for the summer reading experience.

Copies of the summer reading lists and the reading record will be distributed with the year-end newsletter.

Happy Reading,
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