



Dear Students,

Happy Summer and welcome to grade 6 ELA! We can't wait to meet you!

We know summer is a great time to relax and have fun, but what better way than to sit and enjoy a great book? OK, we get it. You're probably thinking there are A LOT of better ways, but give it a try. Please note this will be your first **graded assignment** for middle school. Similar open-ended responses will be used throughout the year as we learn about genres, character traits, and choosing "just right" books.

Next, if you're now thinking you just don't like reading, we will just say that you just haven't found the right book. It's true! So start by trying to find at least two special books, **one fiction** and **one non-fiction**. If you're stuck for titles, go to Goodreads.com, Amazon or even your local library for help.

Once you've decided on your books, please fill out the attached doc, **one for each of your books**, with your well-thought-out responses.

Here are a few reminders:

1. **"Flip the question" meaning change each question into a statement.**
2. **Write in complete sentences using proper punctuation.**
3. **Elaborate each response.**
4. **Run your completed docs through spell check.**
5. **Bring a printed copy of your docs to ELA during the first week of school for grading.**

Have a wonderful summer and don't wait until the last minute to get your work done! We want you happy and well-rested when we see you back in school! :)

Mrs. Massimin & Mrs. Baker  
Grade 6 ELA

## **Fiction Book**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Book #1 \_\_\_\_\_

1. Write a brief summary of this book.
2. What was the problem in the story?
3. What character traits did the main character possess?
4. Choose one character trait and explain how it helped the character throughout the story?  
Be specific and use examples from the story.
5. What lesson did you take away from this story?
6. Would you recommend this book? Why or why not?

## Non-fiction Book

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Book #2 \_\_\_\_\_

1. Write a brief summary of this book.
2. Was the content of this book something you always had an interest in or just something you wanted to know more about?
3. What did you find surprising about this story?
4. What lesson did you take away from this story?
5. What is the most important thing you learned while reading this book?
6. Would you recommend this book? Why or why not?