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7th Grade ELA Summer Reading Homework

Welcome 7th graders! Summer is a great time to dive into fabulous books! There are so many great books to read, and this assignment will let us get to know you as readers! ©

<u>Part ONE:</u> Choose a novel to read. You may choose a book from the list below **or select a novel that interests you**. It can be any genre of **fiction**; historical, realistic, science-fiction, fantasy, or mystery.

- Becoming Naomi Leon, by Pam Nunez Ryan
- Wringer, by Jerry Spinelli
- Miracle's Boys, by Jacqueline Woodson
- Uglies, by Scott Westerfield
- The Maze Runner, by James Dashner
- The Golden Compass, by Phillip Pullman
- The Hobbit, by J.R.R. Tolkien
- A Mango-Shaped Space, by Wendy Mass
- Holes, by Louis Sachar
- Uprising, by Margaret Peterson Haddix
- ...Or other books by these authors. For more book suggestions for kids and teens, go to **brooklynpubliclibrary.org** and click on their booklists on the home page.

As you read, **be sure to take notes!** You can use this graphic organizer, post-its, or your own method to track your thoughts as you read. **Your notes will be collected!!**

Novel	Title
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As you read your selected novel, utilize this graphic organizer or another format to collect notes as you read. After **every chapter** (or 20 pages if your selected novel doesn't use chapters), please write your ideas about what you've read. This could include:

- a description of the setting
- how the plot is developing
- what feels significant in this section
- what is important to the theme of the book
- what themes are emerging

- conflicts and important interactions
 between characters
- how the protagonist is developing or changing
- any other thoughts about what you read

Chapter #	Your thoughts	

<u>PART TWO:</u> Look over your notes and think about an important theme you noticed. Write a TEAL paragraph that identifies and explains the theme. Remember to use at least **two** examples and **explain** how those two examples support the central idea/theme.

<u>PART THREE</u>: Now get creative in responding to the novel. Use our menu of options below. *Plot summaries are not allowed!*

Here are some possible formats and topics to consider. Mix and match to show off your creativity and thinking about the book!

FORMAT	TOPIC	
Visual (painting, drawing, poster, collage)	Key scene	
Timeline	Important character relationships	
Chart	Setting	
3-D (Diorama, sculpture, model)	Character growth/change	
Letter to(character, author)	Theme	
Multi-media (movie, music, Powerpoint)	Important quotes	
Inspired by poem, story, extra chapter	Connection to a real-world issue	