Assignment Score: ____/10

1) Choose a fiction book and a nonfiction book or article to read.
2) Jot in your notebook as you read:

Directions: While you are reading, jot down your thinking in your notebooks. You will need to have **3 notebook pages** with varying ideas. If you get stuck refer to the “Places Worth Stopping and Jotting” sheet which is attached to this packet.
June 2019

Dear incoming 6th grade parents/guardians,

Can you hear the call of the waves and anticipate the silence of the alarm clock? Yes! Summer is quickly approaching and we all are looking forward to this needed downtime to recharge our batteries. And there is no greater way to recharge than to escape with a great book!

We are excited to announce this year’s 6th grade summer reading assignment. Incoming 6th graders will be required to read two texts of their choice. They must read one fiction book, and they may choose from a nonfiction book or article for the second text. While reading students will jot in their reading notebooks about character, theme, setting, central idea, or summarize. Students will need to have a minimum of three notebook pages completed for this assignment.

The goal behind this assignment is to prepare the students for Reading Workshop. We will begin the year with a launch into the workshop model, which will include how to use reading notebooks as a tool to deepen our ability to think, talk, and write about our reading. Students can also personalize and decorate their notebooks this summer, if they wish. They will use these notebooks to begin our first unit of study, “A Deep Study of Character” in September.

As always, our goal is to promote reading for all students and continue to develop an appreciation and enjoyment for reading. Please encourage your children to read more books throughout the summer at their leisure.

The summer reading assignment is **due September 16th**. Late assignments will lose 5 points each day they are late. No assignment will be accepted after September 22nd.

Thank you so much for supporting our summer reading program!

Happy summer,

6th Grade Reading Teachers

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# 6th grade Summer Reading Rubric

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<td>A 0-Point response indicates that the assignment has not been turned into the teacher.</td>
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Total points earned for the summer reading assignment:

- Rubric Score of 4: 9 or 10 points
- Rubric Score of 3: 6-8 points
- Rubric Score of 2: 3-5 points
- Rubric Score of 1: 1 or 2 points
Places Worth Stopping and Jotting

**Fiction**

I can jot when ...

- I learn something new about my character.
- My character’s action was unusual.
- I see a pattern in my character’s actions.
- The theme (lesson of the story)
- I’m confused about something.
- I disagree with something.
- I have a prediction.

**Nonfiction**

I can jot when...

- I learn new information.
- I see a strong image.
- I burst with curiosity - I wonder..., why did...
- How come..., Where is..,
- I meet new words.
- I come to an end of a section.