

Island Park School District  
Lincoln Orens Middle School



June 2018

Dear 2018- 2019 Sixth Grade Student:

Congratulations on completing fifth grade! I hope that you have exciting plans for the summer. Whatever your plans may be, there are two assignments that you will be expected to complete over the summer.

Your first assignment is to read the enclosed novel on being included and being excluded (Auggie and Me, The Losers Club or The One and Only Ivan) and complete the written response questions/Thinking Maps for Book #1 (attached).

Your second assignment is to read a book of your choice and complete Entries #1-3 for Book #2 (attached).

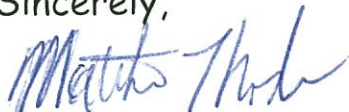
The book you choose:

- ✓ Must be age-appropriate and more than 100 pages
- ✓ Cannot be a book you have read before
- ✓ Cannot be a book you will read in 6<sup>th</sup> grade (Tuck Everlasting, Dear America: I Thought My Soul Would Rise and Fly, or Holes)

I will begin collecting these assignments on the first day of school. These assignments will be graded, so be sure to put forth your best effort.

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to sharing a positive learning experience with you in 6<sup>th</sup> grade!

Sincerely,



Mr. Thode

Grade 6 English Language Arts Teacher

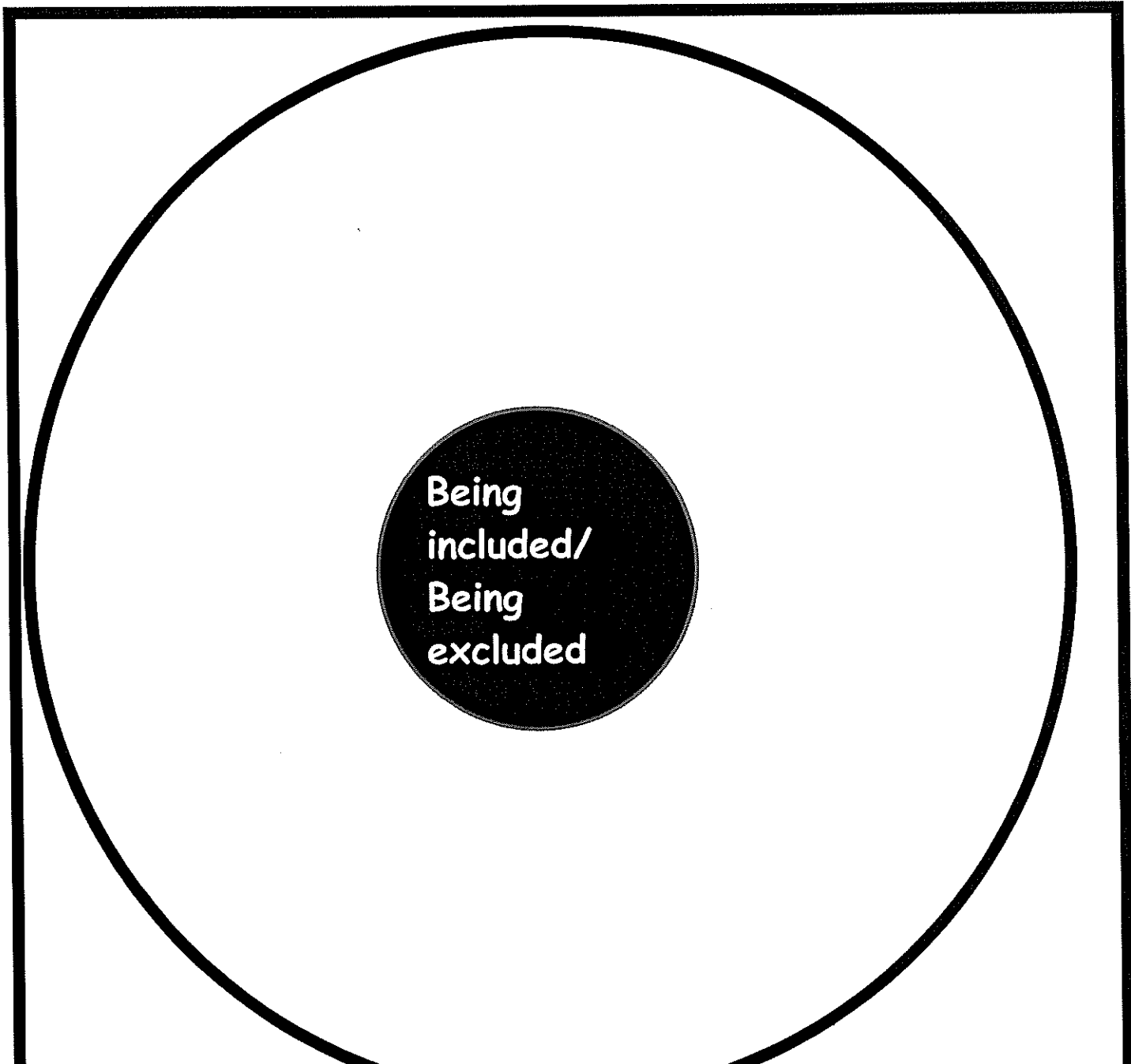
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**BOOK #1** Circle one: *Auggie and Me*, *The Losers Club* or *The One and Only Ivan*

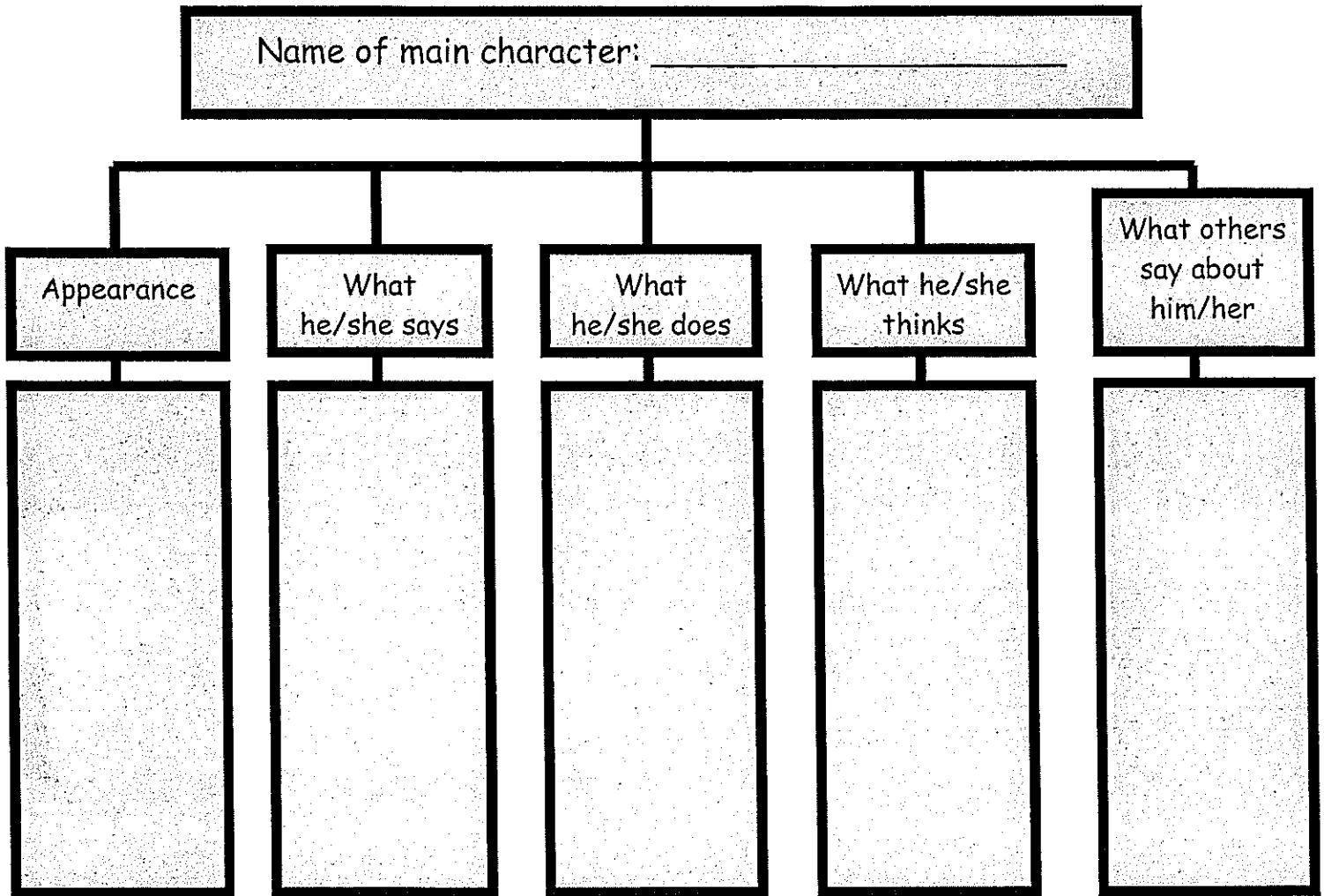
Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Before you start reading the book, complete the circle map on *being included/being excluded*:

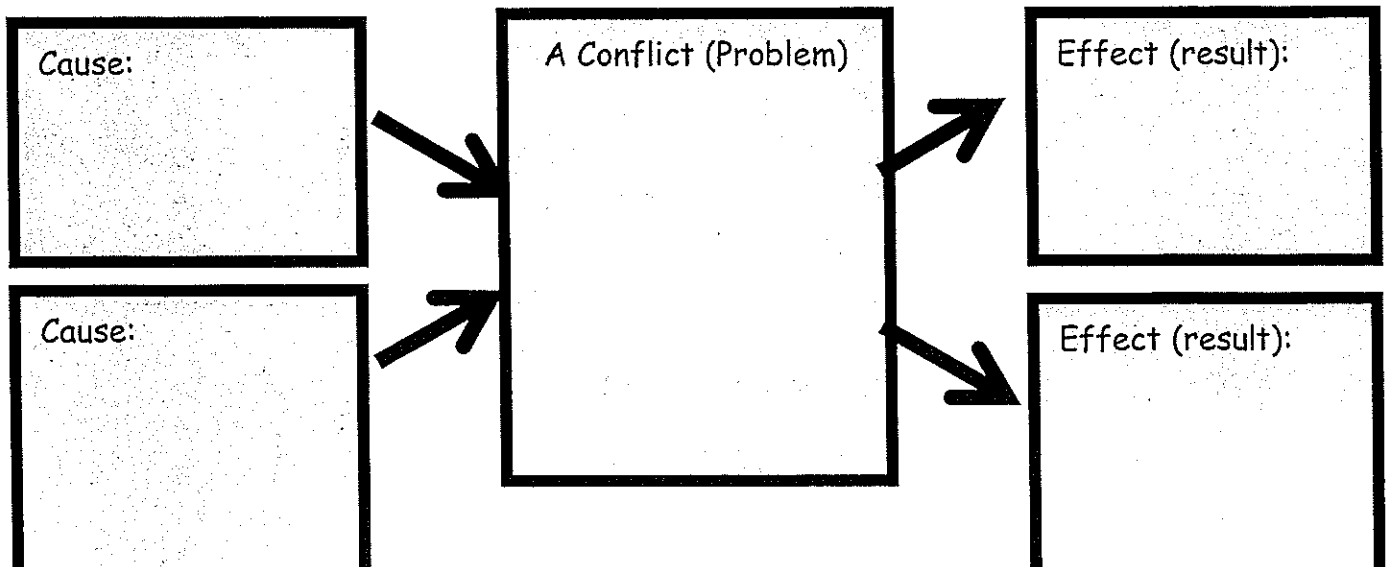
- Fill in the circle with 8 words and/or phrases (minimum) that come to mind when you hear the words *being included/being excluded*.
- Where did you get your ideas from? (experiences? the news?) Complete the frame (outside of the circle) with the titles of books, movies, and/or TV shows that have depicted *being included/being excluded* (minimum of 3).



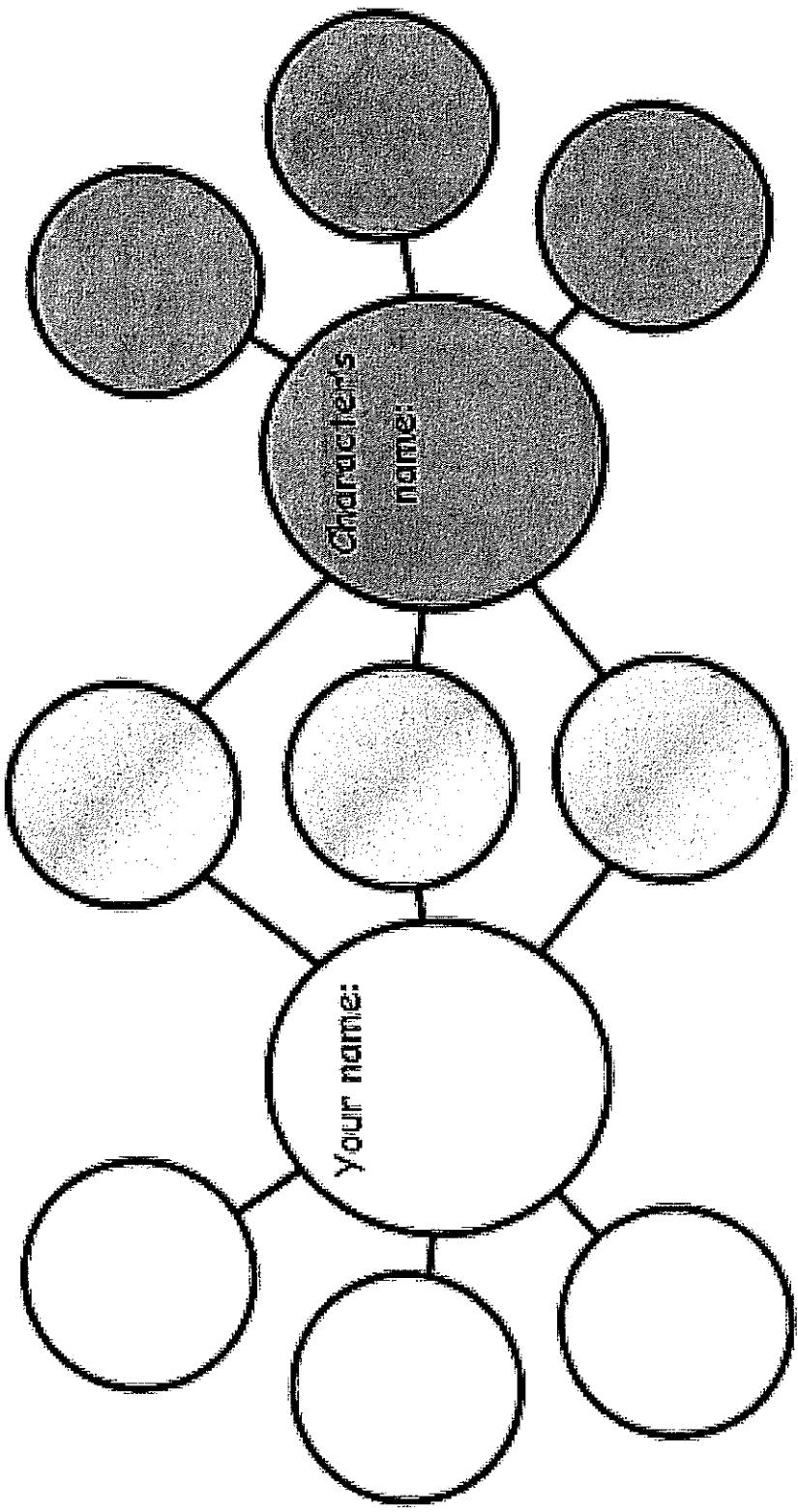
**BOOK #1** We learn a lot about a character by the author's use of *characterization*. Complete the branches of the **tree map** below with evidence of characterization. Each branch should include at least 2 pieces of evidence.



Complete the **multi-flow map** with the causes and effects of a main conflict from the book you read.

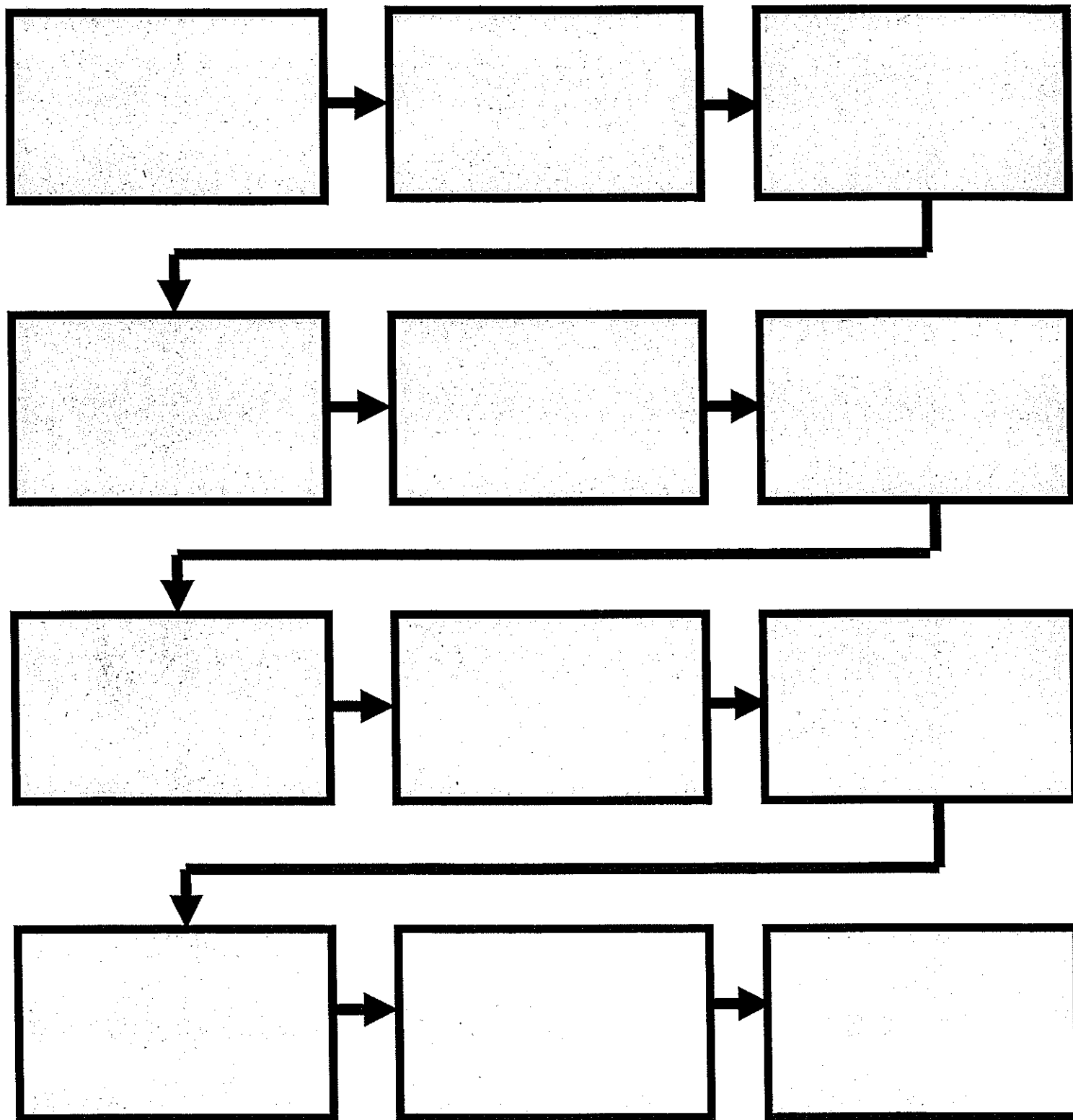


**BOOK #1** How are you similar to and different from the main character? Complete the **double bubble map** below. In the center bubbles write down your similarities and in the outer bubbles write down your differences.





**BOOK #1** Complete the flow map to summarize the novel. Plan it out first on a separate piece of paper. You must use all 12 of the boxes (no more, no less).



Book #2- There are 3 entries for Book #2. Use the prompts provided.

Title of book: \_\_\_\_\_ Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry #1

Part A: CIRCLE ONE word below that describes the main character from Book #2 based on the evidence from Book #2.

*FRIENDLY*                      *RESOURCEFUL*                      *HELPFUL*                      *OPTIMISTIC*

*ADVENTUROUS*                      *CURIOUS*                      *LEADER*                      *SKILLFUL*

Main Character that you are describing \_\_\_\_\_

Part B: Find one sentence in Book #2 that contains details that support your response to Part A. Copy this sentence word for word on the lines below and include the page number. Page # \_\_\_\_\_

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Part C: Find a second sentence in Book #2 that contains details that support your response to Part A. Copy this sentence word for word on the lines below and include the page number. Page # \_\_\_\_\_

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Part D: Find a third sentence in Book #2 that contains details that support your response to Part A. Copy this sentence word for word on the lines below and include the page number. Page # \_\_\_\_\_

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**Suggested Titles for Upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders**  
**Fiction and Graphic Novels**

***Al Capone Does my Shirts*** -- Choldenko, Gennifer

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister. Lexile 600

***Among the Hidden*** (The first book in The Shadow Children Series) -- Haddix, Margaret Peterson

In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.

Lexile 800

***Ban this Book*** -- Gratz, Alan

A fourth grader fights back when 'From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler' by E. L. Konigsburg is challenged by a well-meaning parent and taken off the shelves of her school library. Amy Anne is shy and soft-spoken, but don't mess with her when it comes to her favorite book in the whole world. Amy Anne and her lieutenants wage a battle for the books.

LEX 690L

***Better Nate than Ever*** -- Federle, Tim

An eighth-grader who dreams of performing in a Broadway musical concocts a plan to run away to New York and audition for the role of Elliot in the musical version of "E.T."

Lexile 930

***The Brooklyn Nine: A Novel in Nine Innings*** -- Gratz, Alan

Follows the fortunes of a German immigrant family through nine generations, beginning in 1845, as they experience American life and play baseball.

LEX 840

***Dara Palmer's Major Drama*** -- Shevah, Emma

Dara Palmer dreams of being an actress, but when she does not get a part in the school play she wonders if it is because of her different looks as an adopted girl from Cambodia, so Dara becomes determined not to let prejudice stop her from being in the spotlight.

LEX 760L

***A Diamond in the Desert*** -- Fitzmaurice, Kathryn

After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, thirteen-year-old Tetsu and his family are sent to the Gila River Relocation Center in Arizona where a fellow prisoner starts a baseball team, but when Tetsu's sister becomes ill and he feels responsible, he stops playing.

Lexile 810

***El Deafo*** -- Bell, Cece

A graphic novel memoir of author/illustrator Cece Bell who grew up hearing impaired.

Lexile 420, GN

***Do You Know the Monkey Man?*** -- Butler, Dori Hillestad

While searching for the father who left her and her mother ten years ago, thirteen-year-old Samantha begins to believe that the twin sister who supposedly died when they were three years old is still alive.

Lexile 600

***Finding Someplace*** -- Patrick, Denise Lewis.

The weekend she turns thirteen, aspiring clothing designer Teresa "Reesie" Boone is separated from her family by Hurricane Katrina, but during the horrific storm and its aftermath, begins to find strength in herself.

Lexile 680

***Football Hero*** -- Green, Tim

When twelve-year-old Ty's brother Thane is recruited out of college to play for the New York Jets, their Uncle Gus uses Ty to get insider information for his gambling ring, landing Ty and Thane in trouble with the Mafia. Lexile 840

***Hide and Seek***—Grant, Katy

In the remote mountains of Arizona where he lives with his mother, stepfather, and two sisters, Chase discovers two kidnapped boys and gets caught up in a dangerous adventure when he comes up with a plan to get them to safety.

Lexile 700

***House of Robots*** -- Patterson, James

Fifth-grader Sammy Hayes-Rodriguez struggles to fit in when his inventor mother requires him to take her latest creation, a robotic 'brother,' to school with him to learn to become a student.

Lexile 750

***I Love You, Michael Collins*** -- Baratz-Logsted, Lauren

In 1969, as her own family is falling apart, ten-year-old Mamie finds comfort in conducting a one-sided correspondence with the least famous astronaut heading toward the moon on Apollo 11.

LEX 800L

***Inside Out & Back Again*** -- Lai, Thanhha

Through a series of poems, a young girl chronicles the life-changing year of 1975, when she, her mother, and her brothers leave Vietnam and resettle in Alabama.

Lexile 800

***I'm Not Who You Think I Am*** -- Kehret, Peg

Ginger becomes the target of a disturbed woman who believes that she is her dead daughter.

Lexile 640

***The Last Boy at St. Edith's*** -- Malone, Lee Gjertsen

Seventh-grader Jeremy Miner, the only boy in a school of 475 girls, unleashes a series of pranks in hopes of getting expelled.

Lexile 780

***Lucky Broken Girl*** -- Behar, Ruth

In 1960s New York, fifth-grader Ruthie, a Cuban-Jewish immigrant, must rely on books, art, her family, and friends in her multicultural neighborhood when an accident puts her in a body cast.

LEX 670

***Lucky: Maris, Mantle, and my Best Summer Ever***—Tooke, Wes

Louis, who loves baseball despite being the worst stickball player in White Plains, New York, sees his opportunity to be bat boy for the 1961 Yankees team as the perfect way to escape the problems of his father's remarriage and moving to the suburbs.

Lexile 860

***Masterminds*** -- Korman, Gordon

A group of kids discovers they were cloned from the DNA of some of the greatest criminal masterminds in history for a sociological experiment.

Lexile 730

***My Life as a Book***—Tashjian, Janet

Dubbed a "reluctant reader" by his teacher, twelve-year-old Derek spends summer vacation learning important lessons even though he does not complete his summer reading list.

Lexile 880

***Out of my Mind***—Draper, Sharon

Considered by many to be mentally disabled, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

Lexile 700

***Pashmina*** -- Chanani, Nidhi

Priyanka Das has so many unanswered questions: Why did her mother abandon her home in India years ago? What was it like there? And most importantly, who is her father, and why did her mom leave him behind? But Pri's mom avoids these questions--the topic of India is permanently closed. For Pri, her mother's homeland can only exist in her imagination. That is, until she finds a mysterious pashmina tucked away in a forgotten suitcase.

LEX GN240L

***Return to Sender*** -- Alvarez, Julia.

After his family hires migrant Mexican workers to help save their Vermont farm from foreclosure, eleven-year-old Tyler befriends the oldest daughter, but when he discovers they may not be in the country legally, he realizes that real friendship knows no borders.

Lexile 890

***Sara Lost and Found*** -- Castleman, Virginia

When their mother abandons them and their father ends up in jail again, ten-year-old Sara and her mentally troubled sister are thrust back into the foster care system.

Lexile 640

***The Strange Case of Origami Yoda*** -- Angleberger, Tom

Sixth-grader Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a paper finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their weird classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future. Includes instructions for making Origami Yoda.

Lexile 760

***The Tapper Twins Go to War (with each other)*** -- Rodkey, Geoff

An oral history that reports, through transcribed recordings, text messages, photographs, illustrations, screenshots, and more, an epic prank war between twelve-year-old twins Reese and Claudia Tapper of New York City.

Lexile 880

***When Friendship Followed Me Home*** -- Griffin, Paul

Seventh-grader Ben, always an outsider, is led into a deep friendship with Halley, who is being treated for cancer, by the special dog he and his adoptive mother take in.

Lexile 590

***When You Reach Me*** -- Stead, Rebecca

As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1980s television game show, "The \$20,000 Pyramid," a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.

Lexile 750

**Suggested Titles for Upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders**  
**Non-Fiction (Includes Biographies)**

***Barbarians!*** -- Kroll, Steven

An introduction to the nomadic warriors known as barbarians, including Goths, Huns, Vikings, and Mongols, looking at their lives, worship, and celebrations, and discussing their impact on the world.  
Lexile 950

***Bedpans, Blood & Bandages : a History of Hospitals*** -- Townsend, John

Describes how hospitals have changed throughout history, what conditions were like, how injuries were treated during wartime, and the use of leeches and maggots.

***Birchbark Brigade : a Fur Trade History*** -- Peterson, Cris

Chronicles the history of fur trading in North America from the 1490s to the 1960s, discussing people, places, and events based on the diary entries of traders and explorers; and includes a time line.

***Crop Circles*** -- Burns, Jan. Examines the phenomena of crop circles, discussing the history of their appearance, and considering possible explanations for how they form.

Lexile 1250, NC

***Blizzard! The Storm that Changed America*** -- Murphy, Jim

Presents a history, based on personal accounts and newspaper articles, of the massive snow storm that hit the Northeast in 1888, focusing on the events in New York City.

Lexile: 1080

***Encyclopedia Horrifica : the Terrifying Truth! About Vampires, Ghosts, Monsters, and More*** -- Gee, Joshua

A collection of interviews, rare images, and eyewitness accounts of paranormal and unexplained phenomena, with topics ranging from UFOs to psychic activity and sea monsters.

***Exploratoria*** -- Murphy, Pat

Contains instructions for over four hundred scientific explorations and experiments, each with background information and illustrations; covering eyes, ears, hands, the brain, different places, language, music, math, money, sound, and other topics.

***The Greatest Moments in Sports*** -- Berman, Len

Provides accounts of twenty-five of the greatest moments in sports, each with photographs and statistics, and includes an audio CD that features some of the actual broadcasts of the games.

Lexile: 820

***How They Choked: Failures, Flops, and Flaws of the Awfully Famous*** -- Bragg, Georgia

Describes the failures of fourteen historical, famous achievers, including Isaac Newton, Thomas Edison, Vincent Van Gogh, Ann Boleyn, and Amelia Earhart.

Lexile 1010

***Mission Control, this is Apollo : the Story of the First Voyages to the Moon*** --

Chaikin, Andrew

Recounts various important events from the history of space exploration, covering the Mercury missions, the voyage of Apollo 17, and more, with illustrations by ex-NASA astronaut Alan Bean, who walked on the moon during the Apollo 12 mission.

Lexile 1150

***Mysteries of the Mummy Kids*** -- Halls, Kelly Milner

Explores mummies from around the world, focusing on mummified children; and provides information about their deaths, the sites where they were found, and what caused their preservation.

Lexile 1150

***New York City*** -- Platt, Richard

An illustrated overview of the history of New York City since its Native American origins, discussing European settlers, trade, immigration, buildings, and more.

Lexile: 970

***Noah Webster's Fighting Words*** -- Maurer, Tracy

A brief biography of educator and writer Noah Webster, famous for writing the first dictionary of the English language, with fictitious editing remarks by Noah.

LEX 710L

***Outlaws, Spies, and Gangster : Chasing Notorious Criminals*** -- Scandiffio,

Laura

Tells about eight of the world's most wanted men, including John Dillinger and Osama bin Laden, and how they were captured.

***The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights*** --

Sheinkin, Steve

Describes the fifty black sailors who refused to work in unsafe and unfair conditions after an explosion in Port Chicago killed 320 servicemen, and how the incident influenced civil rights.

Lexile 950

***The Story of Buildings: From the Pyramids to the Sydney Opera House and***

Beyond -- Dillon, Patrick

From the pyramid erected so that an Egyptian pharaoh would last forever to the dramatic, machine-like Pompidou Center designed by two young architects, Patrick Dillon's stories of remarkable buildings--and the remarkable people who made them--celebrates the ingenuity of human creation. Includes detailed illustrations.

Lexile 1060

***Truce: the Day the Soldiers Stopped Fighting*** -- Murphy, Jim

Tells the story of the December 25, 1914 truce between German and British soldiers as they laid down their weapons and met in No Man's Land to celebrate Christmas.

Lexile 1160

***A Taste of Freedom : Gandhi and the Great Salt March*** -- Kimmel, Elizabeth

Cody

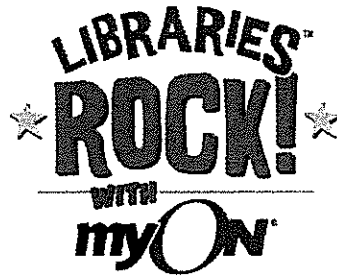
An old man in India recalls how, when he was a young boy, he got his first taste of freedom as he and his brother joined the great Muhatma Gandhi on a march to the sea to make salt in defiance of British law.

Lexile 680




# Summer Reading

AT NEW YORK LIBRARIES



## Start reading with myON!

Be sure you are connected to Wi-Fi.

1. Go to [www.myon.com](http://www.myon.com) and click on the  button.
2. Enter the following information.

**School Name:** Island Park Union Free School District  
*(Begin by entering the first few letters of your school name, then click on it from the drop-down menu)*

**Username:** ipustudent

**Password:** read

3. Select a book and start reading!

### Did you know?

- ✓ You can **browse or search** the myON digital library to find books that are just right for you.
- ✓ You can read **as many books** as you want.
- ✓ You can read the **same book as many times** as you want to read it.
- ✓ You can read **anytime and anywhere** you want to read.
- ✓ You can **read offline** with free myON mobile apps, too!  
Just follow the directions on the next page to learn how.







## Read Offline with Free myON Mobile Apps

With an offline reading app, you will be able to read even when you are not connected to Wi-Fi.

**Guess what?** There is no limit to the number of times you can read the same book and no limit to the number of books you can read with myON!

Here's how:

1. Launch your myON app.
2. Once your app is launched, sign in using the login credentials you have been assigned.
3. Select "User" and enter your username again when prompted.

When you are signed in, you can read any of the books you have downloaded.

**Tip:** Be sure to click the "END" button to close the book when you are finished reading it.

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## Getting Started with myON Apps

**Tip:** You will need Wi-Fi to download an app, set up your device, and download books.



**First, download an App that will work on your device.**

If you aren't sure, use the Google Chrome app, since that will work on a variety of devices through a Google Chrome browser.

### Free myON Apps

**Chrome** <https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/myon/jahdnkaoagdemliakgkedafnhlafpamg>

**iPad** <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/myon/id548056295?mt=8>

**Android** <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.capstonedigital>

**Then, set up your device.**

1. Open the new myON app on your device.
2. Choose to "Add User" or "Link User."
3. Follow the onscreen instructions, and enter your login information.
4. Sign in! Select "User" and enter your username again when prompted.
5. Now that you're signed in, start adding books to read anytime.

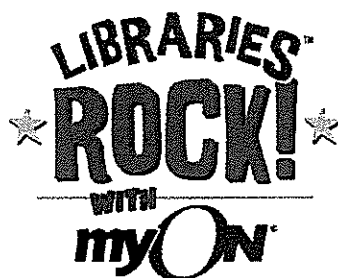
Choose the "Add Book" or "+" icon, and search to find books to add. When you've found a book to add, just click "download." Repeat for up to 20 books.

**Tip:** You can delete books from your mobile app at any time to make room for new books you want to read offline. Just hold your finger on the book and tap 'X' to delete it.



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## Comienza a leer con myON!

Asegúrate de estar conectado a Wi-Fi.

1. Ingresa a [www.myon.com](http://www.myon.com) y haz clic en el botón MyON Login.

2. Ingresa la siguiente información.

**Nombre de la escuela:** Island Park Union Free School District

*(Primero ingresa las primeras letras del nombre de tu escuela, y luego haz clic sobre el nombre en el menú desplegable)*

**Nombre de usuario:** ipustudent

**Contraseña:** read

3. Selecciona un libro y ¡empieza a leer!

### ¿Sabías?

- ✓ Puedes **navegar o buscar** en la biblioteca digital de myON! para encontrar los libros que más te gusten.
- ✓ Puedes leer **todos los libros** que quieras.
- ✓ Puedes leer el **mismo libro las veces** que quieras.
- ✓ Puedes leerlos **en cualquier momento y en cualquier lugar** que quieras.
- ✓ ¡También puedes **leer fuera de línea** con las aplicaciones móviles gratuitas de myON! Solo tienes que seguir las instrucciones de la siguiente página para aprender cómo hacerlo.





## Puedes leer fuera de línea con las aplicaciones móviles gratuitas de myON

Con una aplicación de lectura fuera de línea, podrás leer aunque no estés conectado a Wi-Fi.

**¿Adivina qué?** No hay límite en las veces que puedes leer el mismo libro y no hay límite en la cantidad de libros que puedes leer con myON!

### Aquí te enseñamos cómo hacerlo:

1. Lanza tu aplicación myON.
2. Una vez lanzada la aplicación, inicia una sesión con las credenciales que te han asignado.
3. Selecciona "Usuario" y vuelve a ingresar tu nombre de usuario cuando te lo solicite.

Una vez que hayas iniciado una sesión, podrás leer cualquiera de los libros que hayas descargado.

**Sugerencia:** Asegúrate de hacer clic en el botón "END" para cerrar el libro cuando hayas terminado de leerlo.

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## Cómo comenzar con las aplicaciones myON

**Sugerencia:** Necesitarás Wi-Fi para descargar una aplicación, configurar tu dispositivo y descargar libros.



**Primero, descarga una aplicación que funcione en tu dispositivo.**

Si no estás seguro, utiliza la aplicación Google Chrome, porque funciona en muchos dispositivos a través del navegador de Google Chrome.

### Aplicaciones gratuitas myON

**Chrome** <https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/myon/jahdnkaogdemliakgkedafnhlafpamg>

**iPad** <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/myon/id548056295?mt=8>

**Android** <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.capstonedigital>

### Entonces, configura tu dispositivo. .

1. Abre la nueva aplicación myON en tu dispositivo.
2. Selecciona "Añadir usuario" o "Vincular usuario".
3. Sigue las instrucciones en pantalla e ingresa tu información de inicio de sesión.
4. Ingresa Selecciona "Usuario" y vuelve a ingresar tu nombre de usuario cuando te lo solicite.
5. Ahora que has iniciado sesión, comienza a agregar libros para leer en cualquier momento.

Selecciona "Añadir libro" o el ícono "+" y busca los libros que quieras agregar. Cuando hayas encontrado un libro para agregar, haz clic en "descargar". Repite hasta 20 libros.

**Sugerencia:** Puedes eliminar libros de tu aplicación móvil en cualquier momento para darle cabida a los nuevos libros que quieras leer fuera de línea. Mantén tu dedo sobre el libro y pulsa 'X' para borrarlo.

# Island Park Library's 2018 Summer Reading Club!



*Reading Clubs for  
All Ages:  
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*Sign up starts  
Monday, June 25th*

**Read books! Earn prizes!**

**There will be programs and activities**

**to keep you busy all summer!**



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