

Queen of Apostles 7th-8th Grade Summer Reading Guidelines - 2016

Please follow all guidelines carefully!

Dear Students,

Your summer reading assignment will consist of the following:

All students will keep a reading log throughout the summer, using the attached form. Read and enjoy as many books as you can from the reading list given below. I have added a few new titles.

The summer reading assignment is due the first week of the school year and is considered a quiz grade.

Seventh and Eighth Grades:

1. Use the reading log to make a list of the books you read this summer and have your parents sign off on each book that you *finish* reading.
2. If there is a book that you *absolutely* want to read that is not on the list below, ask your parents to check out the book. They may check out the book on the following website: <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/book-reviews> If they don't have time to look into it, email me with the title and author. I will be checking my email.
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3. *Bring* your favorite summer reading book to class to show and talk about to your classmates during the first week of school. Get your classmates excited about reading it too!

In your presentation be sure to:

- Give the title and author of the book.
- Explain why this book is so great? How do the plot and/or the characters make the book interesting? Are there other elements make the book interesting?
- Quote a passage or two from the book to give your classmates a flavor of the book, *but don't give away the ending!*

7th – 8th Grades: Choose books from the following list:

A Little Princess, by Frances Hodgson Burnett

A Single Shard, by Linda Sue Park

Across Five Aprils, by Irene Hunt

Adam of the Road, by Elizabeth Janet Gray

Adventures of Sherlock Holmes, by A.C. Doyle

Adventures of Tom Sawyer, by Mark Twain

Alice in Wonderland, by Lewis Carroll

All Creatures Great and Small, by James Herriot

Amos Fortune, Free Man, by Elizabeth Yates

Anne of Green Gables, by L. M. Montgomery

Anne of Avonlea, by L. M. Montgomery

Anne of the Island, by L. M. Montgomery

Anne of Windy Poplars, by L. M. Montgomery

Anne's House of Dreams, by L. M. Montgomery

Anne of Ingleside, by L. M. Montgomery

The Ark, by Margot Benary Isbert

At the Back of the North Wind, George MacDonald

The Black Arrow, by Robert Louis Stevenson

Black Beauty, by Anna Sewell

The Black Stallion, by Walter Farley

Banner in the Sky, by James Ramsey Ullman

The Boy on the Wooden Box, by Leon Leysen

The Bronze Bow, by Elizabeth George Speare

Bud, Not Buddy, by Christopher Paul Curtis

Caddie Woodlawn, by Carol Ryrie Brink

Call It Courage, by Armstrong Sperry

Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, by Jean Lee Latham

The Castle Corona, by Sharon Creech

Cheaper by the Dozen, by Ernestine Carey and Frank Gilbreth
Christy, by Catharine Marshall
The Contract, by Derek Jeter, with Paul Mantell
Crash, by Jerry Spinelli
Crispin: The Cross of Lead; At the Edge of the World; The End of Time (a trilogy), by Avi
The Curse of the Buttons by Anne Ylvisaker
Cuss (also published under the title *The Grape Thief*), by Kristine Franklin
Door in the Wall, Marguerite de Angeli
Ella Enchanted, by Gail Carson Levine
Emma, by Jane Austen
Enemy Brothers, Constance Savery
Every Day After, by Laura Golden
The Exiles at Home, by Hilary McKay
Fairest, by Gail Carson Levine
Fever 1793, by Laurie Halse Anderson
The Golden Goblet, by Eloise Jarvis McGraw
Good Master, by Kate Seredy
Goodbye, Mr. Chips, by James Hilton
Got a Penny: The Story of Dorothy Day, by David R. Collins
Greek Myths, by Olivia Coolidge
Heidi, by Johanna Spyri
Hidden Treasure of Glaston, by Eleanore Jewette
Hittite Warrior, by Joanne Williamson
The Hobbit, by J. R. R. Tolkien
Holes, by Louis Sachar
Hound of the Baskervilles, by Arthur Conan Doyle
Huckleberry Finn, by Mark Twain
I am David, by Anne Holm
I Am Third, by Gale Sayers (professional football player)

I, Juan de Pareja, by Elizabeth Trevino

I heard the Owl Call My Name, by Margaret Craven

Island of the Blue Dolphins, by Scott O'Dell

Island of Dr. Moreau, by H. G. Wells

Jo's Boys, by Louisa May Alcott

John's Treecat's Musket, Leonard Wibberley

Journey to the Center of the Earth, by Jules Verne

The Jungle Book, by Rudyard Kipling

Just So Stories, by Rudyard Kipling

The Kingdom of Patria, by Daniel McInerney

The King's Thane, by Charles A Brady

Kon-Tiki, by Thor Heyerdahl

A Lantern in Her Hand, by Bess Streeter Aldrich

The Last Dragon, by Silvana de Mari, translated by Shaun Whiteside

Life with Father, by Clarence Day

Little Britches (or any book in this series), by Ralph Moody

Little Men, by Louisa May Alcott

The Little Prince, by Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Little Women, by Louisa May Alcott

The Little World of Don Camillo, by Giovanni Guareschi

A Long Way From Welcome, Echo Lewis

The Lord of the Rings (The Fellowship of the Rings, The Two Towers, The Return of the King)

Lost World, by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Love that Dog, by Sharon Creech

Mara, Daughter of the Nile, by Eloise Jarvis McGraw

Men of Iron, by Howard Pyle

The Merlin Effect series, by T. A. Barron

Mister Max: The Book of Secrets, by Cynthia Voigt

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH, by Robert C. O'Brien

My Friend Flicka, by Mary O'Hara
My Side of the Mountain, by Jean Craighead George
Nick of Time, by Ted Bell
O! Pioneers, Willa Cather
Oliver Twist, by Charles Dickens
On the Wings of Heroes, by Richard Peck
Otto of the Silver Hand, by Howard Pyle
Out of the Silent Planet, C. S. Lewis
Outlaws of Time: The Legend of Sam Miracle, N.D. Wilson
Palace of Stone, by Shannon Hale
Presenting Miss Jane Austen, Mary Lamberton Becker
Pride and Prejudice, by Jane Austen
The Prince and the Pauper, by Mark Twain
The Princess and Curdie, by George MacDonald
The Princess and the Goblin, by George MacDonald
Rainbow Valley, by L. M. Montgomery
Rascal, by Sterling North
Red Badge of Courage, Stephen Crane
Redwall series, by Brian Jacques
Rilla of Ingleside, by L. M. Montgomery
The Secret Garden, by Frances Hodgson Burnett
Shane, by Jack Schaefer
Sign of the Beaver, by Elizabeth George Speare
Sign of the Green Falcon, by Cynthia Harnett
The Singing Tree, by Kate Seredy
Slave Dancer, by Paula Fox
Smith: the Story of a Pickpocket, by Leon Garfield
Son of Charlemagne, by Barbara Willard
Souder, by William Armstrong

Stoop of Mastodon Meadow (a sequel to *Stout Hearts and Whizzing Biscuits*), by Daniel McInerney

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A Summer of Sundays, by Lindsay Eland

Summer of the Monkeys, by Wilson Rawls

Swiss Family Robinson, by Johann David Wyss

That Girl of Pierre's, Robert Davis

The Sword in the Stone, by T. H. White

The Tale of Troy, by Roger Lancelyn Green

The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle, by Avi

The Trumpeter of Krakow, by Eric Kelly

Walk Two Moons, by Sharon Creech

Where the Red Fern Grows, by Wilson Rawls

White Fang, by Jack London

Whittington, by Alan Armstrong

The Wind in the Willows, by Kenneth Grahame

Will Wilder: The Relic of Perilous Falls, by Raymond Arroyo

The Witch of Blackbird Pond, by Elizabeth George Speare

The Wizard of Oz, by L. Frank Baum

Woodsong, by Gary Paulsen

A Wrinkle in Time, by Madeleine L'Engle

100 Cupboards: The 100 Cupboards book series, by N.D. Wilson