

# Summer Reading for Incoming 8th Graders

**Remember you will need a copy of the book during the first week of school.**

## **Standard Language Arts 8**

**Read any book of your choosing that meets the following requirements:**

- Minimum of 250 pages
- Must be fiction (any genre)
- No graphic novels, Manga, or books written in verse
- No book that is a required reading (summer or curricular) in Hopewell Valley grades 6-8.

**Below are links to lists that can help you choose a book.**

<https://www.goodreads.com/list/tag/middle-school>

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/booklistsawards/booklists>

### **To prepare for the in-class assignment:**

As you read, put a post-it note when you recognize the literary elements listed below. You will be completing a graded, in-class assignment (using the elements below) when you come to school in September. You may use your book and notes (In paper/post it form only). If you take electronic notes, they must be printed before coming to class!) while completing the assignment.

**Identify the following:**

- Protagonist
- Antagonist
- Conflict
- Theme
- Setting

**Below is a resource to help you refresh your understanding of the above terms:**

<http://grammar.yourdictionary.com/style-and-usage/figurative-language.html>

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## **Incoming HONORS 8th grade Language Arts**

Students should read [Pride](#) by Ibi Zoboi.

PDF version: [Pride](#)

As you read, take notes on the elements of the story. Use this [story grid](#) to take notes. You can do it online or on paper.