

Course: 7th Grade ELA (English/Language Arts)

School Year: 2023-24

Assignment: Summer Reading

Purpose: To foster enjoyment of reading and to assess students' current writing skills.

This will count as a grade.

All students will be asked to read **one** book from the provided list and to complete a writing task. All the books on the list share the common theme of "Self identity and Self discovery". The purpose of this assignment is to foster a love of reading, prepare you for the seventh-grade theme, and to assess current writing skills. At the beginning of the school year, your ELA teacher will expect you to have read your book and completed the assignment.

### **ELA Summer Reading Assignment**

1. Select a book to read from the Summer Reading List. You are required to read only **one** book from the list.
2. This assignment must be typed and double spaced. Use a 12 point font (Times New Roman). Your name must be in the top left hand corner of the paper. You must also include the author and the title of the novel.
3. Using the **RACER** guidelines on the following page, write a response to the following question: **How is the theme of self identity and self discovery witnessed in your novel?**

### **Excluded Book List**

- The Skin I'm in by Sharon Flake
- Flipped by Wendelin Van Draanen
- The Watsons go to Birmingham - 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis
- Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry by Mildred D. Taylor
- Eleven by Tom Rogers
- The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin
- A Mango Shaped Space by Wendy Mass
- Hidden Figures by Margot Shetterfly

<b>R</b>	<b>Restate and answer</b> the question in the form of a statement.
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<b>A</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 sentence</li> </ul>
<b>C</b>	<p><b>Cite</b> textual evidence to support your answer. (Provide <b>two</b> examples)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 sentence for each example</li> </ul> <p>Sentence starters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• According to the text...</li> <li>• On page _____, the author stated...</li> <li>• In the text it states...</li> </ul>
<b>E</b>	<p><b>Explain</b> how your textual evidence supports your answer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 sentences for each example</li> </ul> <p>Sentence starters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This shows...</li> <li>• This demonstrates...</li> <li>• This proves...</li> <li>• The evidence suggests...</li> </ul>
<b>R</b>	<p><b>Reword</b> the main idea to wrap-up your writing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write a concluding statement.</li> </ul>

**Have a wonderful school year!**