



SUMMER READING LIST FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

*** **All grades** should cut out and collect five newspaper, magazine, or internet articles (of 250 words or more) with stories that interest YOU! (make sure to keep the article title and author) Give a short description of why this story seemed interesting.

6th graders: *“The Great Gilly Hopkins”* by Katherine

- Create your own personal vocabulary list of at least 20 words. Write the word, its definition, the page you found it on and copy the sentence from the book where the word was used.
- Design a “Wanted” Poster for Gilly if she had decided to run away from home
- When you get back to school, look forward to hearing a speaker from a foster care center!

7th graders: *“Number the Stars”* by Lois Lowry

- The ABC’s of Number the Stars: Keep a list of words/phrases or key ideas that start with EACH LETTER of the alphabet (bonus points for “q” and “x”). This can be character names, the setting, events that happened in the book, etc.
 - Keep a list of at least five questions that you have after reading this novel
- When you get back to school, look forward to designing postcards in code and a game of character Jeopardy!

8th graders: *“Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry”* by Mildred Taylor

- Design another book cover that would be appropriate for the events of this novel.
- Write a Chapter 13 to this novel

When you get back to school, look forward to a little southern cooking and putting on a trial for T.J.!

(You may purchase the books if you wish, but checking them out at the local library is fine too. Students will NOT need a copy of the book for school!)

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