

## Summer Reading Assignments 2023

### Rising 8th Grade

#### 8th Grade Required Summer Reading: *Crispin: The Cross of Lead* by Avi

We will begin literature class in September with *Crispin: The Cross of Lead* so the students should read it in August. They should be prepared for class discussions, a writing assignment, and a test on the book. **On the first day of school, students should bring their novel with them.**

#### Please choose 3 additional books to read from this list:

- *The Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum
- *The Call of the Wild* by Jack London
- *Anne of Green Gables* by L.M. Montgomery
- *King Arthur* by Roger Lancelyn Green
- *Robin Hood* by Roger Lancelyn Green
- *Peter Pan* by J.M. Barrie
- *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott
- *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett
- *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck
- *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle* by Avi
- *My Brother Sam is Dead* by Christopher Collier & James Lincoln Collier
- *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith
- *The Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane
- *In Cold Blood* by Truman Capote
- *All Quiet on the Western Front* by Eric Remarque
- *The Hound of the Baskervilles* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie

**Assignment:** For each of the four novels, students should complete the attached Story Map. The "Problem", "Event", and "Solution" sections should be complete sentences. Choose the three most important events for the "Event" sections.

**These will be collected on the first day of school.**

Story Map		
<b>Characters – Who</b>	<b>Setting – When &amp; Where</b>	
<b>Problem</b>		
<b>Event</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Solution</b>		

**STORY MAP 3**