

Vanguard Classical School

Required Summer Reading List

Students entering 7th grade must read one book from each category:

Fiction	Non-fiction	Classical
Warren, Andrea. <i>Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps</i> . HarperCollins, 2001. At age fifteen, Jack Mandelbaum was placed in a Nazi concentration camp and managed to overcome intolerable conditions in order to avoid becoming a victim of Hitler's Final Solution. Lexile=820	Christensen, Bonnie. <i>Django: World's Greatest Jazz Guitarist</i> . This is the biography of the wonderful jazz guitarist. Lexile=700	Dickens, Charles. <i>Great Expectations</i> . Explores love, beauty and hope. Lexile=880
	Murphy, Jim. <i>The Real Benedict Arnold</i> . Clarion, 2007. Brilliant military strategist Benedict Arnold, although maligned and branded traitor, was a man for whom honor meant a great deal. Lexile=1240	Stoker, Bram. <i>Dracula</i> . This is for the advanced reader who likes more mature topics. (13+) Lexile=900L
Westerfeld, Scott. <i>Uglies</i> . Simon Pulse, 2005. The sixteenth birthday means a body makeover in Tally's world, but Tally begins to question this procedure when she is forced to spy on a friend who does not want to transform her own body. Lexile=770		Wells, H.G. <i>War of the Worlds</i> . First published 1898. Martians invade late 19th century England and create havoc in this classic science fiction story. Lexile=930

After reading each book your student will type a three paragraph summary. The summary must include important details and descriptions of the characters.

Please present these (3 total) to your child's teacher on the first day of school.