

Memo To: 6- 8th Grade Parents and Students (2019-2020 school year)

From: Ms. Zelenak

Date: June 5, 2019

RE: Summer Reading Packets

Hello, Everyone!!

This year's required summer reading is as follows (students will receive a borrowed book from school). If the book is lost or damaged, they will be responsible for replacing it.

6th Grade - Old Yeller

7th Grade - Wonder

8th Grade - The Westing Game

The students are receiving a study guide type packet that they will be **required to complete and turn in by Tuesday, August 27th with the book**. This will be worth a minimum of 50 points. I urge you to work on the questions while you read, it may save you some time.

- The students are required to answer the questions in a **NOTEBOOK**, not on loose leaf.
- The do not need to re-write the questions, unless they choose to.
- The must keep the chapter/section questions separated and properly headed at the top of the page.
- They must skip spaces between answers and answer in complete sentences.
- They must supply the page numbers where they found their answers.
- They need to use this time to practice their handwriting. It must be legible and large enough to read. Typing will not be accepted.
- Failure to follow these directions will result in a loss of points.

We will be starting off the year by **RE-READING** the novels together and discussing and correcting their work. Students will receive some type of assessment once we are finished. This will be determined at a later date.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer!!

Thank you,
Ms. Zelenak
Ms. Zelenak

Gr. 6!8

Gr7

Chapter 1 or Ordinary-locks

p.3 1. answer

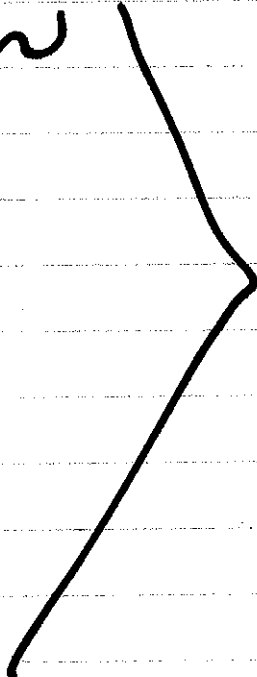
2.

3

4

5.

Skip spaces
between
answers



Old Yeller

Chapter One



- 1. What was the double meaning of the name Old Yeller?**
- 2. Why did Papa want to go to Abilene?**
- 3. Why was Little Arliss howling his head off?**
- 4. What jobs did Travis need to do? What was most important?**
- 5. What deal did Papa and Travis make?**
- 6. What was very important for a settler to have? Why?**
- 7. Who was Bell? What happened to her?**
- 8. How did Mama react when Travis scolded his little brother? Why do you think so?**
- 9. How did Travis feel about the day? Why?**
- 10. What things do you think could go wrong for Travis? Do you think he can handle it? Explain.**

Old Yeller

Chapter Two



- 1. What was the most noticeable thing about the dog?**
- 2. Why did the dog have such a round belly?**
- 3. What made Travis mad?**
- 4. Why did the dog roll on the ground and howl?**
- 5. How did Arliss react to the situation?**
- 6. How did Mama react to the situation? Why?**
- 7. What did Mama want Travis to think about?**
- 8. What could Travis do to get rid of the dog? Do you think he will? Why or why not?**

Old Yeller

Chapter Three



- 1. Why did Travis take Jumper hunting with him?**
- 2. What things did Papa teach Travis about hunting?**
- 3. What mistake did Travis make?**
- 4. What happened when Travis shot the doe?**
- 5. When Travis got home, what made him angry?**
- 6. What kind of fight did Travis not want to have with Arliss? Why?**
- 7. Why didn't Travis brag about shooting the deer?**
- 8. What did the dog not do that Travis was hoping he would?**

Old Yeller

Chapter Four



- 1. While eating, what did the family listen to?**
- 2. Why did Old Yeller go outside near the bulls?**
- 3. What danger did Travis not see in time?**
- 4. Why did Old Yeller run for the woods?**
- 5. What stopped the bulls from fighting?**
- 6. What did the bulls wreck?**
- 7. Do you think Old Yeller will ever like Travis? Why or why not? Explain.**

Old Yeller

Chapter Five



- 1. Why did Mama make Arliss turn out his pockets each night?**
- 2. How did Arliss start catching bigger game?**
- 3. At supper, what lie did Arliss tell? What actually happened?**
- 4. What job was Travis doing when he heard Arliss scream?**
- 5. What mess did Arliss get himself into?**
- 6. Who saved Arliss?**
- 7. How might Travis treat Old Yeller now? Why?**

Old Yeller

Chapter Six



- 1. What did Travis learn from the bear fight?**
- 2. What did Travis do for Old Yeller?**
- 3. How did Arliss do on the squirrel hunt? What made hunting impossible?**
- 4. How did Travis use Arliss and Old Yeller to help get squirrels?**
- 5. What happened when Arliss caused Travis to miss getting a good shot off on the turkey?**
- 6. What puzzled Mama and Travis? Why?**
- 7. Why didn't the men take Bud on the cow run?**
- 8. How did Travis feel about Lisbeth? Why?**
- 9. What did Bud tell the family about meat and eggs?**
- 10. Why did Lisbeth say she wouldn't tell the secret?**
- 11. Do you think the secret will come out? What is the secret? What will happen?**

Old Yeller



Chapter SEVEN

- 1. What did Mama say they must do?**
- 2. Why didn't tying Old Yeller up work?**
- 3. How did Travis solve the problem?**
- 4. What kept Travis and Old Yeller busy at night?**
- 5. What tired Old Yeller out during the sleepless nights?**
- 6. How did Old Yeller react to the skunks?**
- 7. What was Papa right about? Why?**
- 8. Why did Spot take after Travis?**
- 9. What tamed Spot down?**
- 10. What did the man do that caused Travis stress? Why?**

Old Yeller

Chapter Eight



- 1. Why was Travis mad at Bud?**
- 2. What made the man feel bad?**
- 3. What deal did Burn make with Arliss?**
- 4. What warning and instructions did Burn give Travis?**
- 5. Why didn't Travis thank Burn for giving Old Yeller to them?**
- 6. Predict what may happen in the story. Why do you think so? Explain.**

Old Yeller

Chapter Nine



- 1. The night after Burn left, how did Travis sleep? Why?**
- 2. What did Travis do the next day? What did he forget?**
- 3. What made Mama nervous? Why?**
- 4. How did Old Yeller trick the hogs?**
- 5. How did Travis manage to mark and castrate the pigs?**
- 6. What feeling did Travis sometimes have when working the hogs? How did he handle it?**

Old Yeller

Chapter Ten



- 1. What did Travis want to see if he had extra time?**
- 2. What were the wild pigs feeding on?**
- 3. Why did Old Yeller have trouble getting the hogs to go to Travis?**
- 4. How did Travis catch the first pig?**
- 5. When did Travis scream?**
- 6. How did Old Yeller save Travis?**
- 7. Why could Travis hardly look at Old Yeller?**
- 8. How did Travis help Old Yeller?**
- 9. What characteristics did Travis demonstrate? How did these characteristics help save Old Yeller and Travis? Explain.**

Old Yeller

Chapter Eleven



- 1. What made Travis yell?**
- 2. What did Mama take with them to get Old Yeller? What do you think she planned to do with it? Explain.**
- 3. Why did Mama and Travis first think it was over for Old Yeller?**
- 4. How did Mama keep Arliss from seeing Old Yeller?**
- 5. Why did Mama want a hair from Jumper's tail?**
- 6. What game did Mama tell Arliss about? Why?**
- 7. Who led Jumper? Why?**
- 8. How do you think Travis felt when he got home? Explain.**

Old Yeller

Chapter Twelve



- 1. What kept Mama busy?**
- 2. How did Mama keep Jumper from getting the corn?**
- 3. What surprise did Lisbeth bring?**
- 4. How did Bud decide to help out?**
- 5. How do you think Travis felt about the situation? Explain.**

Old Yeller

Chapter Thirteen



- 1. How did Lisbeth do?**
- 2. What job did Mama, Lisbeth, and Arliss appear to have a good time doing?**
- 3. What scared Mama?**
- 4. What may be wrong with the cow?**
- 5. How did the bull act?**
- 6. Why was the bull not able to attack Mama?**
- 7. What did Travis do to the bull? Do you think it was the right decision? Explain.**

Old Yeller

Chapter Fourteen



- 1. Why couldn't the bull be left where it was?**
- 2. Why did Mama and Lisbeth have to gather wood?**
- 3. Why did the wolves howl all night?**
- 4. Why was it so disappointing to have to kill Spot?**
- 5. Why did Travis stay home rather than help burn Spot?**
- 6. What did Arliss do when Travis slept?**
- 7. Why did Travis wish Papa would get back?**
- 8. What do you think will happen next? Why do you think so?**

Old Yeller

Chapter Fifteen



- 1. Why wasn't Travis too worried about Mama and Lisbeth?**
- 2. What animal fought with Old Yeller?**
- 3. How did Travis help the situation?**
- 4. What was Mama right about? Why?**

Old Yeller

Chapter Sixteen



- 1. How did Travis feel? Why?**
- 2. What seemed to wash out the hydrophobia plague?**
- 3. What did Papa make Travis do?**
- 4. What did Papa want Travis to understand? Do you agree? Explain.**
- 5. What helped Travis feel better?**
- 6. What didn't Travis scold Arliss for? What did he do instead?**
- 7. What would Travis do the next day? Why?**
- 8. How long will Travis remember his experiences? What parts do you think he'll remember the most? In what ways did Travis change and grow? Write your thoughts about the story.**