

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.
- They do not need to re-write the questions, unless they choose to.
- They 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,
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Chapter 1 or Ordinary-locks

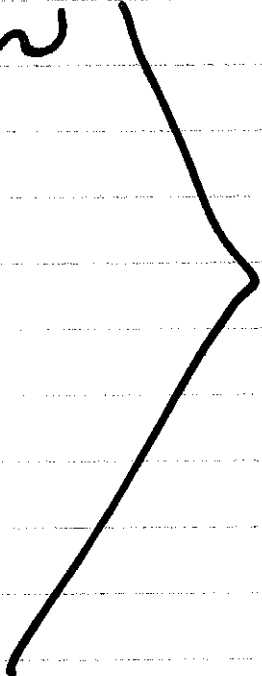
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Directions: Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Use your answers in class discussions, for writing assignments, and to review for tests.

Ordinary--Locks

1. What does Auggie cite as the only reason he is not ordinary?
2. How did the delivery room doctor react to Auggie's birth?
3. Why does Auggie initially feel disappointed that his parents spoke to Mr. Tushman?
4. How does Auggie differentiate between little kids and big kids?
5. How does Julian treat Auggie during the tour of Beecher Prep?
6. How does Auggie signal to his mom that he wants to leave Mr. Tushman's office?
7. Why is the first day of school particularly special for Auggie and Via this year?
8. What does Auggie notice as kids in his homeroom begin sitting down?
9. How does Henry Joplin express his annoyance at having to change seats?
10. Why doesn't Auggie offer to help Henry with his combination lock?

Around the Room--Names

1. What phrase does Auggie research after hearing his father say it?
2. How does Julian insult Auggie by questioning him about *Star Wars*?
3. What does Mr. Browne ask his students to do over the summer?
4. Why is lunch time on his first day difficult for Auggie?
5. Describe Summer's appearance. Why does Auggie immediately like her?
6. How does Auggie refer to himself and Summer when talking to his mom after school?
7. When does Auggie finally release his feelings on his first day of school?
8. In a homework assignment for Mr. Browne, what does Auggie compare to the Egyptian pyramids?
9. What "dorky" costume is Summer afraid to wear to school on Halloween?
10. Why does Auggie refer to the Cheese Touch from *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*?
11. Why is Halloween Auggie's favorite holiday?
12. Why does Auggie go home sick from school on Halloween?

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A Tour of the Galaxy–The Egyptian Tomb

1. To what does Via compare Auggie in her galaxy metaphor?
2. How does Via gain another perspective after spending four weeks at her grandmother's?
3. What miracles have doctors witnessed with Auggie's case?
4. How did elementary school and middle school differ for Via?
5. How has Miranda and Via's friendship changed since middle school?
6. Why is Via surprised when Auggie asks her, "Why would people be mean" (p. 96)?
7. Why does Via insist she can take the subway home on her second day of school?
8. Why does it worry Via that she and Auggie carry the same mutant gene as both their parents?
9. Why is Via allowed to stay home from school on Halloween?
10. How does Via cheer Auggie up after he comes home sick on Halloween?
11. How does Via feel when Auggie tells her that Miranda called?
12. Why did Summer initially sit with Auggie?
13. Why does Savanna invite Summer to her Halloween party?
14. What is Summer's hint to Jack about why Auggie is mad at him?

The Call–The Boyfriend

1. When did Jack first see Auggie?
2. Why does Jack ultimately give in to Mr. Tushman's request?
3. Why does Jack feel ashamed of the sled he refurbished?
4. Why does Summer's hint finally make sense to Jack?
5. Why does Jack punch Julian?
6. What significant events are revealed in the chapter titled, "Letters, Emails, Facebook, Texts"?
7. Why do all of Jack's classmates ignore him when he returns to school?
8. Why does Jack call himself a hypocrite?
9. Who tells Summer the "official sides" of Julian's war?
10. How does Jack know that Auggie told Via about the Halloween incident?

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Olivia's Brother—After the Show

1. Why is Justin surprised at Auggie's appearance, even though Via described him?
2. How do the Pullmans differ from Justin's parents?
3. How does Justin help Jack without Jack knowing it?
4. Why doesn't Via want to tell her parents about the show?
5. Why does the "war" at Beecher Prep eventually fade?
6. Why does Auggie finally agree to wear his "new bionic Lobot hearing aids" (p. 215)?
7. Why is Via, Auggie, and their mom's argument over dinner cut short?
8. How does the reader know that the dispute over attending the play is over?
9. Why did Miranda lie about herself at summer camp?
10. Why does Miranda fake a sickness just before the play?

The Fifth-Grade Nature Retreat—Appendix

1. Why is Auggie nervous about the fifth-grade nature retreat?
2. Why does Auggie place Baboo and a note on his bed?
3. Whom do Jack and Auggie encounter in the woods?
4. Describe the confusion that occurs in the woods.
5. What do Auggie's parents believe about good people and bad people?
6. What surprise do Via and her father bring home to Auggie?
7. What "shift" does Auggie notice when he returns to school?
8. Why isn't Julian returning to Beecher Prep for sixth grade?
9. Why did Auggie's dad throw out Auggie's astronaut helmet?
10. What does Auggie notice about Jack's feelings toward Summer?
11. What points does Mr. Tushman stress in his speech to the fifth-grade students?
12. Which award does Auggie receive at the graduation ceremony?
13. What does Auggie's mom thank him for on the walk home?
14. How does Auggie's precept tie in with the story of his birth?

