

ENTERING GRADE 5

Lawrence Woodmere Academy
Middle School

Summer Reading & Writing 2010 Due: First Day of School



Guidelines:

Reading

Read **two** books of your choice. Suggestions on how to find books of your interest are included in this booklet.

Please do not read: **The Wizard of Oz, Number the Stars, Regarding the Fountain, Maniac Magee, The Phantom Tollbooth, Bridge to Terabithia**

The Watsons Go to Birmingham

(These books may be explored during the school year!)

Both books must be:

- Full length (no picture or comic books, please)
 - Age appropriate
 - Appropriate to discuss in class

Writing:

Complete the written responses as assigned in the attached booklets (one for each book). Write neatly please.

HOW TO FIND JUST THE RIGHT BOOK

Some Suggestions.....

*LWA website

Click <http://www.lawrencewoodmere.org>, then click 'Academics', click 'Middle School', 'Summer Assignments' to find a summer reading resource list including NY Times Best Sellers, recently published award winning titles, and audio and internet choices.

Authors you have enjoyed

(Many authors and their publishers have homepages on the internet)

Internet Book Shopping

Search by author, age level, topic, title

Local & school libraries

- Book displays
- Ask the librarian
- Read the dust jacket (the cover & title do indeed draw us to books!)

By Genre

- Fiction
- Non-Fiction
- Biography
- Autobiography
- Mystery
- Adventure
- Historical Fiction
- Science Fiction

Inspiration

Think about people who inspire you—musicians, athletes, civic leaders, artists, writers—and check out books written about or by them.

Go to the Bookstore

- Displays
- Ask salesperson for help
- Read the dust jacket

Book List Web Sites:

1. <http://ala.org/ala/yalsa/teenreading/trw/trw2005/booklists.htm>
2. <http://www.seemore.mi.org/booklists/fiction.html#FicGeneral>
3. <http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/bklistj.htm>
4. <http://waterborolibrary.org/bklistj.htm>
5. <http://www.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/lists.html>
6. <http://www.meppl.lib.mo.us/readers/lists/juv/>

FAMILY FAVORITES

Books that family members have enjoyed:

Books recommended by your peers:

Who were the main characters in this book?

Would you be friends with any of the characters in this book? Why or why not?

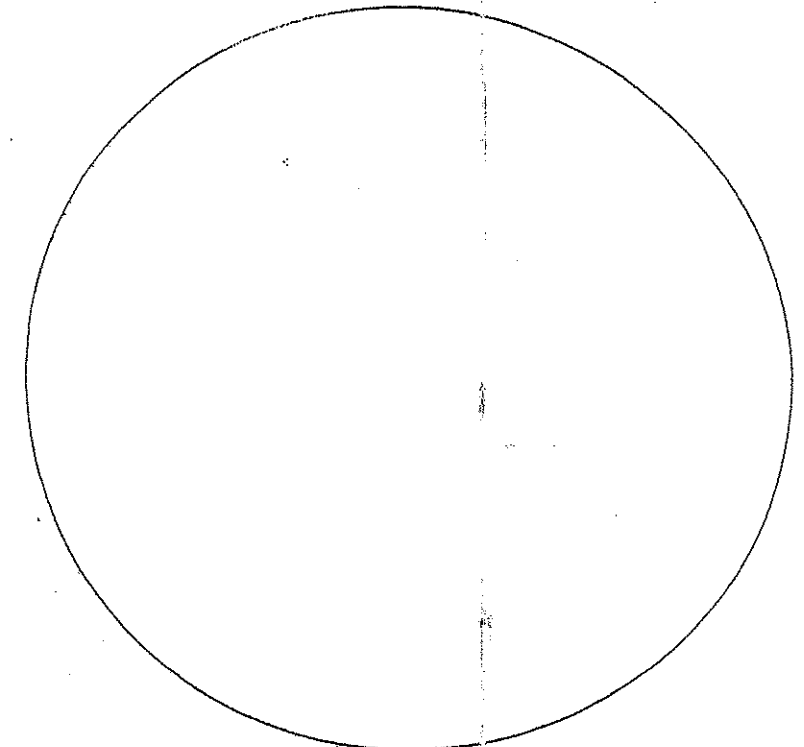
Every character makes choices over the course of a book. Choose ONE character and explain a choice that he or she made.



Title of Book

Author

Your Name



Draw an important event from the book in the circle above.