



Kittatinny Regional High School  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading Packet

Dear Student and Parent,

Summer vacation is a time for leisure and relaxation. The Kittatinny High School English Department has instituted a summer reading program designed to exercise the mind, while also providing enjoyment and relaxation. Attached you will find a list of books from which students can select a title of their choice. Students are required to select *at least* one book from the list and complete the attached assignment to be handed in on the first day of school. The list of books for the 8th grade summer reading program will also be available on the KRHS website [www.krhs.net](http://www.krhs.net). Parents can greatly assist in our efforts to improve the education of their children by urging them to read during the summer. By reading and discussing these books with their children, parents can help them truly exercise their minds. We sincerely appreciate everyone's support and participation in our summer reading assignment.

Sincerely,

Patricia Gear

8<sup>th</sup> Grade English Language Arts Teacher

**Kittatinny Junior High 8th Grade Summer Reading Fiction Worksheet**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Book Title \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Answer each of the questions below in COMPLETE SENTENCES. You should answer each question with a MINIMUM of 3-5 sentences. Your answers should reflect details from the book.

1. What was your favorite part of the book? Why is this your favorite part?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Describe the personality, appearance, and actions of 2 of the characters.

Character #1 \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Character #2 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Write about one connection you made to this book. Did the book remind you of something in your own experiences?

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4. Write one question that you would like to ask a character in the story and explain why you would ask that question.

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5. List 5 new vocabulary words that you have learned from your reading. List the page number on which you found the word.

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Define each of the 5 new vocabulary words.

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Would you recommend this book to a friend? Explain why or why not.

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## 8th Grade Extra Credit Reading List-Updated April 2018

Available on KRHS website, [www.krhs.net](http://www.krhs.net)

This reading list is a collection of suggested reading presented to the students to encourage them to embrace reading. These books are accredited books that are listed on the American Library Association Website: ALA.org. The list, some of the newer contemporary novels, in no way reflects Kittatinny's approval or disapproval of the thematic content of these specific works.

20 Thousand Leagues Under the Sea	Jules Verne	Available in abridged version
A Day No Pigs Would Die	Robert Peck	
A Year Down Yonder	Richard Peck	
Anne of Green Gables	Lucy Montgomery	
Hoot	Carol Hiassen	
Little Women	Louisa May Alcott	Available in abridged version
Midnight for Charlie Bone	Jenny Nimmo	
Missing May	Cynthia Rylant	
Secret Garden	Frances H Burnett	Available in abridged version
The Dog Who Wouldn't Be	Farley Mowat	
Treasure Island	Robert L. Stevenson	Available in abridged version
Where the Red Fern Grows	Wilson Rawls	
White Fang	Jack London	Available in abridged version
The Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Grahame	Available in abridged version

The above abridged books are currently available for loan by Ms. Gear