

**HIGHLAND SCHOOL
2010 SUMMER READING
RISING SIXTH GRADE**

Instructions

- Read the REQUIRED BOOK, *The Book of Time* by Gillaume Prevost, and ONE other book from the reading list.
- For each book, answer all questions from the sections labeled *During* and *After* reading.
- Be sure to write or type your answers NEATLY in good, complete sentences. If handwritten, you must use a blue or black ink pen—not a pencil—and remember to write NEATLY and CLEARLY.
- Clearly label your answers to indicate the book you are discussing.
- Give details from the story to support your ideas.
- When you are finished, staple the pages together and place them inside a plain file folder with your name clearly printed in the tab on top.
- Bring the completed assignments to class on the first day of school.
- This assignment will count as a quiz grade.
- All work is to be your own.

During reading:

1. Using good, specific details describe the setting (or settings) of the book—where and when the story takes place.
2. Describe the main character. Tell who he or she is and tell what he or she is like—including what he or she looks like, how old he or she is and what he or she acts like. Give details from the book to support your ideas.
3. What kinds of problems or conflicts does the main character in the book experience? How does he or she cope with these problems? Explain.

After reading:

1. What part of the book was the most exciting or interesting? Give details to describe what happened at this point. Why was it exciting or interesting? Explain.
2. Did you like the ending of the book? When you finished the book, did you feel satisfied or happy about how it ended? Why or why not? Explain.

Reminder: The summer reading and writing assignments are due the first day of school.

6th Grade Summer Reading List
Annotations provided by Follett Destiny.

REQUIRED BOOK

The Book of Time by Guillaume Prevost. Sam Faulkner travels back in time to medieval Ireland, ancient Egypt and Renaissance Bruges in search of his missing father.

CHOICE BOOKS

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, by Roald Dahl. Each of five children lucky enough to discover an entry ticket into Mr. Willy Wonka's mysterious chocolate factory takes advantage of the situation in his own way.

The Education of Little Tree, by Forrest Carter. Originally published as an autobiographical account of Carter's life with his Eastern Cherokee Hill country grandparents, this work is now classified as historical fiction.

Hoot, by Carl Hiaasen. Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site.

Garden of the Purple Dragon (Book 2 in the Dragon Keeper Trilogy), by Carol Wilkinson. Ping, an orphaned slave during China's Han Dynasty, hides out in the mountains of Tai Shan struggling to raise Kai, the baby purple dragon that has been left in her care, but their capture by Imperial guards forces Ping to return to the Garden of the Purple Dragon where new friends—and enemies—await.

A View from Saturday, by E. L. Konigsburg. Four students, with their own individual stories, develop a special bond and attract the attention of their teacher, a paraplegic, who chooses them to represent their sixth-grade class in the Academic Bowl competition.

A Wrinkle in Time, by Madeleine L'Engle. Meg and her friends become involved with unearthly strangers and a search for Meg's father, who has disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government.