Dear Incoming 6th Grade Students,

Congratulations on graduating 5th grade! We are so excited to help prepare you for your experience as a student at Eastchester Middle School! As your E.L.A. teachers, we look forward to encouraging you to explore many different types of texts as well as refine your writing skills.

For our summer reading requirement, **select two novels** from the provided list. You should **complete the assignment** detailed below for **one of the two novels**. You will need this assignment at the start of the year, and we will discuss how to submit the assignment once the year begins.

Please carefully read the instructions and information listed below. Be sure that your novels come from our provided list, and do your best to capture the main points of the novel you will use for this assignment in a **concise summary**. Remember to include an **honest review** at the end of your writing piece. This entire assignment should be typed as it will be submitted on Google Classroom when school begins. Have a wonderful summer, and we look forward to seeing you in September!

Your E.L.A. Teachers,

Mrs. Leone, Mrs. Dippolito,
Mrs. Martucci & Mrs. Colangelo

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**Assignment Details**

*Note: You are only required to complete this assignment for one of the novels you read this summer!*  

**Summary**

- **Write a complete summary of the book.**
  - It must be 6-8 sentences.
  - Be sure to include the main points of the story.
  - It must contain a third person point of view (avoid using “I”).
  - Make sure to paraphrase and DO NOT include text evidence.

**Editorial Review**

- **Write a detailed review of the book.**
  - Be sure to include your personal recommendation (avoid using “I”).
  - Explain why you would or would not recommend this book to other readers.
  - It must be 4-6 sentences.

**Spelling, Grammar, Usage & Mechanics**

- **Be sure to carefully proofread your work.**
  - Check for appropriate spelling and grammar throughout the entire writing piece.
  - Read your work out loud to ensure clarity and fluidity.