Dear Incoming 7th Graders,

We hope that you have an enjoyable and relaxing summer! At the same time, we don’t want to see you forget all of the skills you have worked so hard on during 6th grade. To keep your skills sharp, we ask you to read two novels of your choosing this summer. *The book of your choice CANNOT be a book with a film version.*

After reading each book, print and fill out page 2 of this packet. Bring this page to class with you in September.

Go to our website for the assignment and book suggestions:

https://sites.google.com/eufsdk12.org/summer-reading-7th-grade/home

Throughout the course of the year we will be exploring the various conflicts and themes on top of our exploration of story structure and how authors transform traditional structures. Conflicts and themes will be a reoccurring topic in both our class discussions and writing for each unit we study.

We encourage students to utilize the school and public libraries as a means of finding great books to read. Anyone looking for book suggestions, can seek out the school librarian or their ELA teacher. Check out the free Sora app on Classlink or if you have a library card the Libby app in your app store to borrow free audio and digital versions of the books you want to read from the public library.

Parents, your middle schooler may be bigger, but who would not enjoy spending time reading together. It’s great if you can carve out time in the evening to read together or alongside each other. If you cannot read together, ask a simple question like “what happened in your book today?” that will spark a lively conversation as your child will be excited to share what he/she has read.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the 7th grade ELA teachers. Have a great summer!

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Title and author of Book #1: _____________________________________________

For book 1: Circle or highlight the conflict that you think your protagonist faces:

Man vs. Man (One person goes against another person)
Man vs. Nature (One person/people must survive- pushed to a physical limit to survive)
Man vs. Society (One person goes against a group)
Man vs. Unknown (One person/people goes against something that is unknown)
Man vs. Technology (One person goes against artificial intelligence)
Man vs. Self (internal conflict) (One person must make a decision and cannot decide)

Theme (Life lesson/moral of the story)
State a theme that emerges in book #1:

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Title and author of Book #2: _____________________________________________

For book 1: Circle or highlight the conflict that you think your protagonist faces:

Man vs. Man (One person goes against another person)
Man vs. Nature (One person/people must survive- pushed to a physical limit to survive)
Man vs. Society (One person goes against a group)
Man vs. Unknown (One person/people goes against something that is unknown)
Man vs. Technology (One person goes against artificial intelligence)
Man vs. Self (internal conflict) (One person must make a decision and cannot decide)

Theme (Life lesson/moral of the story)
State a theme that emerges in book #2:

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