



### A.R.M.S. SUMMER READING

Our middle school students are required to read one book over the summer. Since ARMS expects each student to read between 10 and 15 books each year, the summer reading program gets them started.

- ❖ Students will complete 3 different journal entries, of their choice, from the list below.
- ❖ Summer reading will be collected the first week of the new school year and YES, it does count!

Suggested authors are listed on the back, but of course, if the student and his or her parent wish, the student may choose a book by another author.

Enjoy your summer and don't forget...READING IS FUN!

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### JOURNAL ENTRIES

Each of the 3 entries should be approximately 100 words in length. What is essential is that time is taken to write thoughtful responses. This should be an opportunity to reflect on what was read. Please do NOT summarize. Remember to complete "3" different entries for your book!

- Put yourself in the character's shoes at a particular moment and consider how you would feel or what you would do.
- Write about a connection between a moment from the book and a moment from another book, a movie, or your life.
- Write about a connection between two moments from the book.
- Consider how the setting affects the mood of the story.
- Make an observation about the way the author wrote the book (point of view) and speculate about why he/she made the choice you observe.
- Explain how a character has changed over the course of the novel.
- Compare two characters – after considering their similar traits and backgrounds, explain how they are also different.
- Choose a scene from the book where a character had to make a decision. Explain how that decision impacted the story or character.

### Suggested Authors

Lloyd Alexander	Jack Gantos	George Orwell
David Almond	Jean Craighead George	Katherine Paterson
Laurie Halse Anderson	Bette Greene	Edith Pattou
VC Andrews	Margaret Haddix	Gary Paulsen
Avi	Virginia Hamilton	Richard Peck
Joan Bauer	Karen Hesse	Wilson Rawls
Anilu Bernardo	Will Hobbs	Ann Rinaldi
Joan W Blos	Kimberly Willis Holt	Hazel Rochman
Edward Bloor	Brian Jacques	J K Rowling
Judy Blume	Jim Kjelgaard	Louis Sachar
Ann Brashares	Jackie French Koller	Anna Sewell
Terry Brooks	Elaine Konigsburg	Lemony Snickett
Meg Cabot	Trudy Krisher	Gary Soto
Lori M Carlson	Kathryn Lasky	Jerry Spinelli
Beverly Cleary	Madeline L'Engle	Judith Bau Stamper
David Clement-Davies	Lois Lenski	George Sullivan
Sharon Creech	Gail Carson Levine	Rosemary Sutcliff
Sandra Cisneros	C S Lewis	Mildred Taylor
Judith Ortiz Cofer	Jack London	JRR Tolkien
Caroline Cooney	Lois Lowry	Mark Twain
Susan Cooper	Harry Mazer	Jules Verne
Christopher Curtis	Norma Fox Mazer	Cynthia Voigt
Roald Dahl	Walter Dean Myers	Jude Watson
Paula Danziger	Beverly Naidoo	Budge Wilson
Barry Denenberg	Garth Nix	Virginia Euwer Wolff
Jennifer Donnelly	Joan Lowry Nixon	Tim Wynne-Jones
Nancy Farmer	Han Nolan	Jane Yolen
Paula Fox	Naomi Shihab Nye	Paul Zindel
Paul Fleischman	Scott O'Dell	Julie Hahnke
Jean Fritz	Joyce Carol Oates	