



St. Luke Catholic School

Required Summer Reading for Seventh Grade

Choose one of the following books:

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin

Million Dollar Throw by Mike Lupica

The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak

The Girl Who Could Fly by Victoria Forester

The Call of the Wild by Jack London

Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper

Assignment for Summer Reading

Each student will be required to write a five-paragraph book review on the book they select from the given options. This assignment is due on Monday August 12th. **This assignment will count as a test grade.**

The following guidelines should be followed:

Format: The book review should be typed, using 12-point font (Times New Roman) and double-spaced. The student's name should be typed at the top of the page.

Paragraph 1: INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH which should include the following

- Book Title and Author
- Main idea of story
- Main characters in the book
- Something unique and interesting about the story/book for readers to know

Paragraph 2: PLOT which should include the following

- Main idea of the story/book
- Where does the story take place
- When does the story take place
- Something unique about the time/place in which the story takes place and how it affects the characters

Paragraph 3: CHARACTERS which should include the following

- Main characters of the story/book
- What are the relationships like between characters in the story/book
- Does something important or meaningful to the story happen to a or between characters? Describe it in one sentence

Paragraph 4: REVIEW which should include the following

- Favorite part of the story/book and why
- What do you think about the way it was written?
- Do you think other kids would enjoy reading this book and why?

Paragraph 5: CONCLUSION which should include the following

- Was the story/book entertaining, educational, amusing, etc., and why?
- Why did you enjoy/not enjoy reading this story/book?
- Would you recommend other kids read this book?