

Summer Reading Log



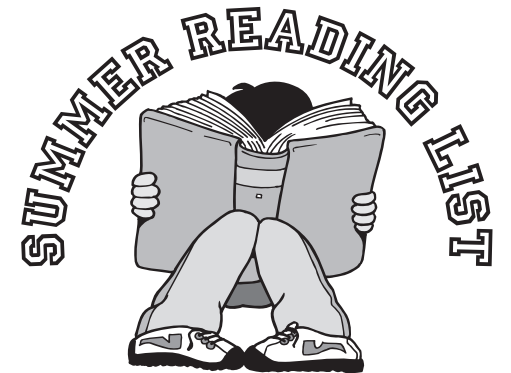
YONKERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Student Name _____ School _____ Grade _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Students: Please list the titles you read this summer and write a brief summary for each book in the boxes provided. Return your completed log, signed by a parent or guardian, to your teacher the first week of school in September. Be prepared to discuss and complete an assignment based on your Summer Reading when you return to school.

Title/Author	Write a Summary



"Today a reader, tomorrow a leader."
- Margaret Fuller

Grades 9-12
June 2009

A copy of this list can also be found on the web at
<http://yonkerspublicschools.org/summerreading.php>

Summer Reading Information

Students are required to read a minimum of three books over the summer. You may choose two titles from the list or another title by the same author with the approval of the librarian or your parent/guardian.

Please maintain a reading log of all books read (on reverse) and return to your teacher in September. You should be prepared to discuss your books in class and work on related assignments the first week of school.

Grades 9-12 Summer Reading List 2009

(For students entering Grades 9-12
in September 2009)

Title - Author

GRADE 9

- The Boy in the Striped Pajamas - John Boyne
 - The Alchemist - Paulo Coelho
 - Ironman - Chris Crutcher
 - Monkey Island - Paula Fox
- Dragon Rider - Cornelia Funke
- Out of the Dust - Karen Hesse
- The Secret Life of Bees - Sue Monk Kidd
 - Heat - Mike Lupica
- Somewhere in the Darkness - Walter Dean Myers
- The Maldonado Miracle - Theodore Taylor
- Eagle Blue: A Team, A Tribe, and A High School Basketball Season in Arctic Alaska - Michael D'Orso
- Harvest of Empire: The History of Latinos in America - Juan Gonzalez
- Marley and Me: Life and Love with the World's Worst Dog - John Grogan
- I Shall Not be Moved - Maya Angelou
 - Dark Sons - Nikki Grimes
 - Witness - Karen Hesse
- Summer of My German Soldier - Bette Green

Dancing Carl - Gary Paulsen

- Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul Letters: Letters of Life, Love, and Learning - Jack Canfield

GRADE 10

- Best Foot Forward - Joan Bauer
- The Trial: A Novel - Jen Bryant
- Rat Boys: A Dating Experience - Thom Eberhardt
 - The Partner - John Grisham
 - Hoops - Walter Dean Myers
 - Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment - James Patterson
- The Bridge of San Luis Rey - Thornton Wilder
 - Tuesdays with Morrie - Mitch Albom
- War in the Middle East - Wilborn Hampton
- Chew on This: Everything You Didn't Want to Know About Fast Food - E. Schlosser
- I Shall Not Be Moved - Maya Angelou
- Dark Sons - Nikki Grimes
- Witness - Karen Hesse
- Hear the Wind Blow - Mary Downing Hahn
- Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul Love and Friendship - Jack Canfield

GRADE 11

- Clear and Present Danger - Tom Clancy
 - The Testament - John Grisham
 - Skinny - Ibi Kaslik
- Autobiography of My Dead Brother - Walter Dean Myers
- The Color of Water - James McBride
- Dreams From My Father - Barack Obama
- Fast Food Nation - E. Schlosser
- I Shall Not Be Moved - Maya Angelou
- Dark Sons - Nikki Grimes
- Witness - Karen Hesse
- The Road to Memphis - Mildred Taylor
- Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul: The Real Deal: Friends: Best, Worst, Old, New, False, True - Jack Canfield

GRADE 12

- Time and Again - Jack Finney
 - The Brethren - John Grisham
- Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas - James Patterson
 - The King of Torts - John Grisham
 - Catch 22 - Joseph Heller
 - *100 Years of Solitude - Gabriel Garcia Marquez
 - Blessings - Anna Quindlen
 - *The Hobbit or titles from The Lord of The Rings Trilogy - J.R.R. Tolkien
- IBM and the Holocaust: The Strategic Alliance Between Nazi Germany and America's Most Powerful Corporation - Edwin Black
- Jim the Boy - Tony Earley
 - Angela's Ashes - Frank McCourt
 - Persepolis (Series) - Marjane Satrapi
 - I Shall Not Be Moved - Maya Angelou
 - Dark Sons - Nikki Grimes
 - Witness - Karen Hesse
- In the Time of the Butterflies - Julia Alvarez
- Hiroshima - John Hersey
- Chain of Fire - Beverly Naidoo
- Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul on Tough Stuff: Stories of Tough Times and Lessons Learned - Jack Canfield

- **Available in Spanish**
***Challenging**

Suggested Activities for Teens and Parents

These activities are **optional** for you and your teen to enjoy together after reading the book.

Letter to the Author

Write a letter to the author of the book asking why the main character acted like she/he did or why the author developed a particular idea and thought it was important.

Create a Diary/Journal

Create a diary/journal for a character in the novel.

Include the following: Several entries explaining your character's feelings about the events and other characters in the book.

Create a cover for your journal/diary.

You're the Author!

You are the author. You have decided to write an additional chapter to the book you just read.

Check out these websites to find books to read online:

Children's International Digital Library
<http://en.childrenslibrary.org>

The Online Books Page
<http://digital.library.upenn.edu/books>

Baldwin Library of Children's Literature Digital Collection
<http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/ufdc/?c=juv>

Find information and perhaps audio about your book at <http://teachingbooks.net/home/>
Enter your email address (Leave blank if under 18)
Password: YSummer (one word)

Families are encouraged to listen to one of the books as a family activity. Many books are available in audio or for download at the public library's website - <http://www.ypl.org>

Yonkers Public Libraries - 377-1500

Riverfront Library

1 Larkin Center
Yonkers, NY 10701

Grinton I. Will Library

1500 Central Park Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10710

Crestwood Branch

16 Thompson Street
Yonkers, NY 10707