

2017 Summer Reading Assignment  
7th Grade Literature & Composition

Students will choose ONE novel from Group 1 and ONE novel from Group 2. You will read 2 novels total.

Group 1

*Wonder* by R.J. Palacio

*Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper

Group 2

*The Crossover* by Kwame Alexander

*Inside Out & Back Again* by Thanhha Lai

Assignments:

1. Students should be prepared for a test on his/her book of choice from Group 1 when we return from summer break.
2. Students will create a personal narrative poem (a story in poem form) and illustrate it and be prepared for discussion/assignments on the book of choice from Group 2

Narrative Poem Instructions - Students will bring this with them when we return from summer break.

Supplies needed:


- 11" x 14" white poster board
- Plain white 8.5" x 11" construction paper
- Glue
- Colored pencils/markers

1. Turn the construction paper long ways

Example:



2. On the construction paper, write (in PRINT) a 12 line (MINIMUM) narrative poem that tells a personal story (something the student has experienced) in a way similar to the books in Group 2. Please note how narrative poems are written in short line form. Students should write the poem NEATLY in black so that will show up well.
3. Students will illustrate the poem at the bottom and/or around the poem on the construction paper using colored pencils.

4. Turn the poster board longways Example: 
5. Leaving 1.5” space at the top of the poster, glue the poem/illustration to the poster board. This should leave 1.5” at both the top and bottom of the poster board.
6. In the 1.5” top space, in BLACK permanent marker, students should print a creative and original title in “quotes” Example: “The Day I Won’t Forget”
7. Around the side margins of the poster board, students should use colored markers to continue to illustrate/decorate the narrative poem.
8. In the bottom 1.5” space, in BLACK permanent marker, students should print:
  - a. First and Last Name
  - b. 7 Literature and Composition