

Summer Reading Extravaganza

We build voracious readers at North Central and we challenge you to continue your voracious reading this summer! The *Summer Reading Extravaganza* is designed to expand your reading life and help you reflect on what you read. This activity will support our goals of becoming strong readers, skilled writers, and critical thinkers. The [Spokane Public Library](#) also has a wonderful summer reading program (check it out!), but here is our North Central 6th and 7th grade version.

Have a blast reading this summer and we are super excited to spend next year with you!

The Challenge: Read books from a variety of categories this summer that engage and excite you. After you read a book, please complete one reflection project from the menu. You will receive a prize (once school starts) for every book and reflection project you complete AND you will have an excuse to read a ton this summer! Please try to read at least two books and complete at least two projects. Let us know if you have any questions and I highly recommend spending time in the public library this summer and asking for their reading recommendations as well.

Reading Options: Try to read a variety of different types of books this summer. Here are the options!

- A non-fiction book
- A graphic novel
- A book that takes place in a different country
- A science fiction book
- A book on a topic you know nothing about
- A biography
- A book that contains a sport/activity you love
- A book about a historical event
- Listen to any audiobook
- A book from a series
- A book of short stories
- A historical fiction book
- A book that's been made into a movie
- A mystery book
- A book by someone who looks different than you
- A book that is older than fifty years

Reflection Project Menu: After reading your book, please complete one of the four options below. Have fun with these questions and turn them in on the first week of school. Prizes for completed projects/questions.

- a) **Remix the Ending** – Write a new ending to your book! How would you like to see the story finish? Please write a new ending to the book in 1 – 2 paragraphs.
- b) **Book Review** – You are a professional book critic and need to review this book. *What did you enjoy about this book? What did you not enjoy? What would you change? Would you recommend it to a friend and why? How many stars (out of five) would you give this book and why?* Please answer these questions in 1 – 2 paragraphs.
- c) **Picture This!** – What images stood out from the book? What did you picture as you read? Please draw/create a picture from a scene of the book. Then write a few sentences describing the scene and why it stands out to you.
- d) **Research, Research, Research** – Do a deep dive on a topic explored in your book. What would you like to learn more about? Is there an interesting historical event described in your book or does it take place in a country you don't know much about? Please write 1 – 2 paragraphs describing what you learned about this topic and how it connects to your book.
- e) **Reflect and Connect** – Reflect on the book and how it connects with your own life. Do you see similarities between yourself and any characters? Any similarities in how they live and how you live your life? Would you have made the same choices as them? Are there similarities in families, friends, school, locations, attitude, etc. to your own life? Please write 1 – 2 paragraphs describing how the book connects to your life.