

VMS MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH STUDENTS  
READING - SUMMER 2021



Dear MS Students,

The VMS Middle School English Department hopes that you are having a wonderful summer so far. We hope that you take the time to read for pleasure this summer. You will have an opportunity to take AR quizzes on the books you read this summer when you return to school. You will also have an opportunity to do an Extra Credit book report **on a book found on the appropriate Teacher Reading List at [arbookfind.com](http://arbookfind.com).**

We love reading, and we love to help students love reading too. We want to give you an opportunity to read a quality book while you are on vacation. At **[arbookfind.com](http://arbookfind.com)**, you will find a list for your grade level of some books that we suggest you read this summer while on break. Of course, you don't have to read any, but it is always nice to have a list to choose from if you are looking for a good book. You will find the books' titles, the books' reading levels, point values, and quiz numbers on [arbookfind.com](http://arbookfind.com).

If you do choose to read one of the books from the list this summer, you can write a one-two pages **typed** (double-spaced) summary of the book (include information on basic plot, setting, characters, and give a recommendation at the end). This assignment will be graded on your ability to summarize your book, and it will be graded on your utilization of the proper mechanics of writing (grammar, punctuation, paragraph format, etc.). Please remember to put your name on it as well. The extra credit assignment should be on a book from the list.

This assignment is extra credit and will be worth 20 points. What a cool way to start the new school year! If you choose to do this, it is due on the first day of school, August 9! You will turn it in to your English teacher.

We will be praying for you this summer as you relax and enjoy your time off!

Blessings,

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**\*\*The directions for finding your specific grade level reading list are on the next page.**

## **AR Book Find – Directions**

### **Teachers' Lists**

- Go to [arbookfind.com](http://arbookfind.com)
- In the white box on the left side that says “keycode” – type in the appropriate keycode.
  1. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Keycode = EI385343
  2. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Keycode = YT156005
  3. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Keycode = EI385343
- Click on the specific grade level list and begin looking for a book that you would like to read.
- If you would like to make a list to take with you to the library or book store, simply add the books to the AR Book Bag feature.
- Once you have added books to your Book Bag, you can then print out the list to take with you.
- **The book you choose to read for your Extra Credit Book Report must be from the appropriate grade level list found at [arbookfind.com](http://arbookfind.com) using the keycode from above. If you choose a book not from the list and do a report, you can quiz on that book but you will not receive the EC.**
- If you read more than one book from the list, you can take an AR quiz on it at the beginning of the school year.

### **Finding Other Books Beyond the Teachers' Lists & Summer Reading**

- As you prepare for the new school year, we will ask that you be familiar with finding books at [arbookfind.com](http://arbookfind.com).
- You can search for fiction books and nonfiction books according to your reading level, areas of interest, a certain author, etc.
- We suggest that you take the time this summer to create a book list for yourself using AR Book Bag. Put books on this list that you want to read throughout the year to help you grow in your reading and to also help you accomplish your AR reading goals each quarter.
- Books that you read this summer that have AR Quizzes, you will be able to quiz on at the beginning of the school year.

**If you have any questions or need help, please email Miss Trude ([ctrude@vmc.net](mailto:ctrude@vmc.net)).  
Happy reading!**

