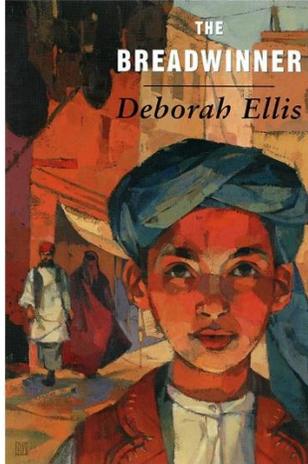


Summer Reading

Students entering grades 6-8 need to read *The Breadwinner* by Deborah Ellis and a book of their choice. Please complete a book report form for each book.



We hope you will read actively by using sticky notes or taking notes in the margins. The point of everyone reading the same book is so we can begin the year on common ground with a shared reading experience. During the first two weeks of school there may be follow-up activities.

The Breadwinner by Deborah Ellis

It is an award-winning novel about loyalty, survival, family, and friendship under extraordinary circumstances during the Taliban's rule in Afghanistan.

Eleven-year-old Parvana lives with her family in one room of a bombed-out apartment building in Kabul, Afghanistan's capital city. Parvana's father — a history teacher until his school was bombed and his health destroyed — works from a blanket on the ground in the marketplace, reading letters for people who cannot read or write. One day, he is arrested for the crime of having a foreign education, and the family is left without someone who can earn money or even shop for food.

As conditions for the family grow desperate, only one solution emerges. Forbidden to earn money as a girl, Parvana must transform herself into a boy, and become the breadwinner (barnesandnoble.com).

*This book was just made into an animated feature and was nominated for an Oscar, but lost to *Coco*.

* *The Breadwinner* is the beginning of a series...read the others if you loved this book!

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Summer Reading Book Report – grades 6-8

Please respond to the following questions to the best of your ability. Use this format for *The Breadwinner* and your choice book.

Please type (double space, Time New Roman, 12 pt.) or use your neatest cursive writing.

1. Your name
Date
Book title/Author
2. Characters: Describe the protagonist **and** antagonist. Explain their importance in the story to the story.

What part did they play in the novel? Did any of the characters change?
3. Setting: Describe the setting of the novel (time and place)
4. Conflict: What is the main problem in the book? How was it solved?
5. Favorite part: Describe your favorite scene or favorite quote. Include details and reasons you liked it.
6. Theme: Novels often have a “message” for the reader. What do you think the message of the book might be? How does the message relate to our faith? Explain why.

Bonus

Extra books I read this summer - (no report needed)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

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