

Summer Assignments

For Students Entering Grade **6-8**

Summer Reading Assignments

Students entering grades 6-8 need to read *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds and a book of their choice. Please complete the book report questions for each book.

Please respond to the following questions to the best of your ability. Answer these questions for *Ghost* and your book of choice. Please type (double space, Times New Roman, 12 pt.) or use your neatest cursive writing.

Name _____

Date _____

Book Title/Author _____

1. Do the characters seem real and believable? Can you relate to their predicament? Why? Why not? Use text evidence to support your answer.
2. Do the characters remind you of someone you know? How?
3. What do you think happened to the main character after the story ended?
4. Did this book make you laugh? Cry? Cringe? Smile? Cheer? Explain and use text evidence to support your answer.
5. Do you like the ending of this book? Why or why not? Do you think there is more to tell? What do you think might happen next?
6. Do you think the title fits the book? Why or why not?
7. Make a text to self, text to text, or a text to world connection.
8. Was there a particularly striking event in the novel? Explain.
9. What did you enjoy about this book? Be specific.
10. How does this book relate to our Catholic faith?

Bonus

Extra books I read this summer (NO REPORT NEEDED)

Please list title and author.

1. _____

2. _____

Parent signature required _____

Summer Reading Rubric

	8	6	4	2
Content	All answers contain strong evidence that the book was read. All questions were answered using specific details and examples from story.	At least 8 answers contain strong evidence that the book was read. At least 8 questions were answered using specific details and examples from story.	At least 6 answers contain strong evidence that the book was read. At least 6 questions were answered using specific details and examples from story.	Fewer than 5 answers contain strong evidence that the book was read. Questions lack specific details and examples from story. Most answers could pertain to any story.

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	4	3	2	1
Sentence Fluency	All sentences read well. Varied structure. No fragments or run-ons.	Most sentences read well. Varied structure. One fragment or run-on.	Sentences have awkward wording, most do not read well. No varied structure. Several fragments or run-ons.	Wording makes answers difficult to understand. Not at grade level.
Word choice	No weak words. (go, get, do, put, thing, etc.) Vocabulary used is strong including strong verbs, grade appropriate.	1-2 weak words. Mostly the word choice is grade appropriate	3-5 weak words. The word choice is not reflective of grade.	Numerous weak words. Word choice is below expectations for grade.
Spelling	0 errors	1-2 errors	3-4 errors	5+ errors
Capitalization	0 errors	1-2 errors	3-4 errors	5+ errors
Grammar(apostrophes, commas, verb tense, punctuation)	0 errors	1-2 errors	3-4 errors	5+ errors
Appearance/Format	-Name/ date -Title of book/author -12 pt font -Times New Roman -double space -number each question -leave extra space between each question -neatly presented	1-2 elements incorrect or missing	3-4 elements incorrect or missing	5+ elements incorrect or missing