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To: HAAS Parents and Students
From: Ms. Litefti, Reading Specialist
CC: Ms. Fulton, Principal
Mr. Weisbrot, Dean
Date: June 4, 2010
Re: ***Mandatory Summer Reading***

Each year, new and returning HAAS students are required to read selected novels and complete specific grade level assignments. Studies show that most students experience a loss of reading skills over the summer months, but children who continue to read actually gain skills. Over the summer, parents can assist their children in sustaining and bolstering their reading skills, strengthening their vocabulary, and reinforcing the benefits of reading for enjoyment.

Attached you will find the ***Required Summer Reading List*** for your child's *next grade level* for the upcoming school year, and below are the directions for completing the ***Required Assignments***. **(For example: if your child is in the 2nd Grade now, you will choose a book from the 3rd Grade Reading List.)**

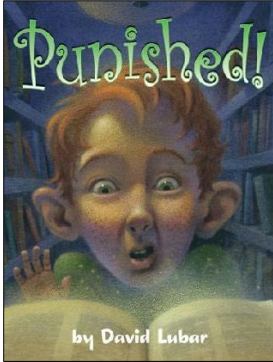
The ***Required Summer Reading List*** and the ***Required Assignments*** will also be posted on the HAAS website (www.hollywoodcharter.org) on the **School Information Page** for your convenience.

Directions for Required Summer Reading Assignments

Students will be required to read the 2 books listed for their upcoming grade level. The third book is optional and will earn extra credit. These books may be read independently, read together, or may be read aloud to your child.

After reading the book, students must complete the Required Assignment in order to receive full credit. The completed work will be incorporated into the student's grade during the first weeks of school. ***Failure to complete these assignments will result in the student receiving zeros.***

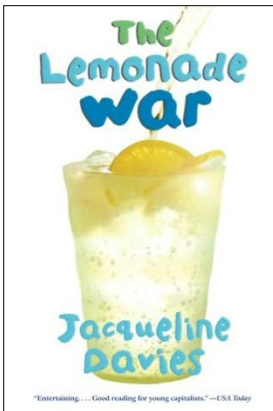
Mandatory Summer Reading List 2010 - Entering 3rd Grade



Punished by David Lubar

According to the professor, there is only one way to break the spell. Logan has three days to collect seven oxymorons, seven anagrams, and seven palindromes-or the "pun"-ishment will continue forever.

http://www.teachertube.com/viewVideo.php?video_id=154359&title=Punished

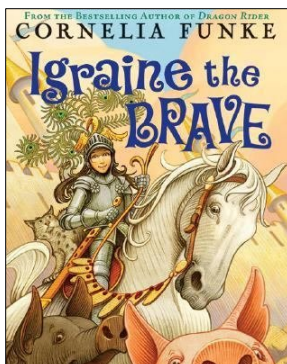


The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies

Evan Treski is people-smart. He is good at talking with people, even grownups. His younger sister, Jessie, on the other hand, is math-smart—but not especially good at understanding people. She knows that feelings are her weakest subject. So when their lemonade war begins, there really is no telling who will win—and even more important, if their fight will ever end.

http://www.teachertube.com/viewVideo.php?video_id=154365&title=The_Lemonade_War

Additional/Optional grade level book



Igraine the Brave by Cornelia Funke

Igraine, who turns twelve tomorrow, dreams of becoming a famous knight. But today, like most days, life at the family castle remains... rather boring. Until the nefarious nephew of the baroness-next-door shows up.

http://www.teachertube.com/viewVideo.php?video_id=154348&title=Igraine_the_Brave

Basic Information About the Book

Names of the Main Characters:

Where does the story take place? (Setting)

When does the story take place? Over the course of the Day? A month? A year? How do you know?



Character Study

Choose two characters to describe by answering the questions below. **(Please use complete sentences.)**

Name of Character _____

1. Physical Likeness. (What does the character look like?)

2. Personality. (What kind of a person is the character look like?)

Name of Character _____

3. Physical Likeness. (What does the character look like?)

4. Personality. (What kind of a person is the character look like?)

Vocabulary

As you read the story, find three words that you do not understand. Look them up and give the following information.

1. Word : _____ Page Number: _____

Definition: _____

Write a sentence using the vocabulary word.

2. Word: _____ Page Number: _____

Definition: _____

Write a sentence using the vocabulary word.

3. Word: _____ Page Number: _____

Definition: _____

Write a sentence using the vocabulary word.
