Dear Students and Parents,

Reading over the summer has many benefits for students. According to our policy at Holy Trinity, each student is required to read over the summer.

Incoming 7th graders will need to choose a novel listed below to read this summer. Students, be sure you haven't already read it!

After reading, students must complete the included activities:

- 1. Story Arc
- 2. Timeless Text
- 3. Character Connections

Be sure to use your best handwriting, ink and add color when needed.

Students should be prepared to answer questions and complete activities about the book they read within the first week or two of school. Bring your book and completed work to the first day of Literature Class.

Author	Book Suggestions
Jennifer Nielson	Resistance; Iceburg
Alan Gratz	Refugee; Two Degrees; Ground Zero
Jason Reynolds	Ghost; As Brave As You; Look Both Ways
Carl Hiaasen	Hoot
Gordon Korman	Restart; Unplugged; The Unteachables
Wendelin Van Draanen	Flipped; The Running Dream

Students, while you are only required to read ONE book over the summer, I **highly encourage you** to read 20 minutes every single day! It's a way to keep your brain healthy over the summer!

Parents, I highly encourage you to read along with your child and discuss the book together or ask them questions as they read! This is a wonderful way to connect with your child!

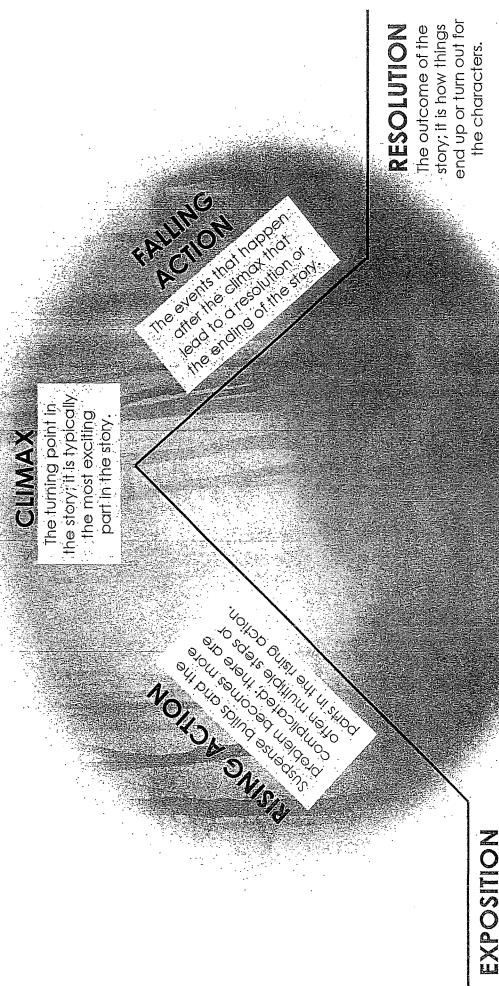
Have a wonderful summer, make lots of memories, and remember that reading can take you on some of the most exciting adventures! See you in August!

-Mrs. Tapp

Date:

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**Student Directions:** This page shows you a simple plot structure story arc, which is essentially the storyline that unfolds over the course of a writing piece. Use the information on this page to complete a story arc for your summer reading novel.



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Name:	Date:
	Finding Timeless Text
beautiful language the author uses, or so of the story. The text you choose should	s text from your summer reading book. It can be something a character says, mething the narrator says that gives information about the theme, characters, or plot be because you are drawn to the language used or because you have a strong means that the text goes beyond what's just in the story, but can be applied to life or
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## Character Connections

Directions: Write the names of three main characters from your summer reading book in the small boxes below. Include a brief description of each character along with a picture and significant quote that either that character says or someone says about the character (include the page number). On the back page, you will be exploring how each of these characters connects to one another.

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Character One:	Character Two:	Character Three:
Picture:	Picture:	Picture:
Description:	Description:	Description:
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Quote:	Quote:	Quote:

## Finding Timeless Text

Point Value	Section of Activity	Expectations
	Timeless Text	Quote chosen is an example of a timeless piece of text. Includes quotation marks and the page number where the quote can be found.
	Reflection	Reflection is at least 5 total sentences explaining WHY the quote is timeless and WHY the quote is important to you.
·	Academic Vocabulary	Response must include at least three academic vocabulary words.
	Visual Depiction	Drawing encompasses the main theme, idea, or message of the timeless text. Also includes the quote and title of literary work.
	Mechanics	Responses include proper spelling, punctuation, and grammar.

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	Following Directions	Student completed all aspects of the first activity – a picture, description, and quote were all included and thoughtfully done.
	Going Further: Character One & Two	Student answers questions thoughtfully and thoroughly, paying close attention to the relationship between the two characters.
-	Going Further: Character One & Three	Student answers questions thoughtfully and thoroughly, paying close attention to the relationship between the two characters.
	Going Further: Character Two & Three	Student answers questions thoughtfully and thoroughly, paying close attention to the relationship between the two characters.
	Mechanics	Responses include proper spelling, punctuation, and grammar.