

EPS SUMMER READING: 6TH GRADE

NONFICTION SUMMER!

Welcome to 6th grade! The Literary Thinking 1 course examines several genres of literature over the course of the year, beginning with nonfiction in the fall. Nonfiction, as you know, is written material about real life events, places, and people. The literature is quite varied, so there's really something for everyone!

In the days leading up to the start of school, we ask all incoming 6th graders to read a **nonfiction book** of their own choice.

Some types of nonfiction:

- Biographies and autobiographies
- Histories
- Inventions
- Essays
- Current or world events
- Cultural events
- Lots of others

Your task:

1. **Find a nonfiction book that interests you.** It should be written at your reading level; it can be of any length and about any topic you choose. The more personal the better!
2. Read the book. The title of your book: _____
3. Write down your answers to the following questions:
 - a. Why did you choose to read this book? What is your personal interest in or connection to the topic?

 - b. What are 3 things that surprised you while reading this book?

 - c. What did you like about reading this book?

 - d. What did you not like about reading this book?

4. Create a hand-crafted, two-dimensional visual that represents an important part of the book. Your hand-crafted, 2-D visual might be a drawing, painting, collage, map, "movie" poster, etc. You will share your creation with your Literary Thinking 1 class, so we encourage you to put forth your best effort to be creative, thoughtful, and thorough.
5. Assuming that we are able to meet in person in September, bring this sheet, a copy of the book, and your 2-D visual to the first class of the year.