

3. Via

How does Via's attitude towards her brother change throughout the story? (Answer in one paragraph of 4-7 sentences)

4. The precepts (rules to live by) (Choose one of the precepts below from Wonder and write an essay demonstrating how the precept is followed or not followed in the book. Write no more than five paragraphs. Staple your work to this sheet)

1. "When given the choice between being right or being kind, choose kind."
—Dr. Wayne Dyer
2. "Your deeds are your monuments." —Inscription on ancient Egyptian tomb
3. "Have no friends not equal to yourself." —Confucius
4. "Fortune favors the bold." —Virgil
5. "No man is an island, entire of itself." —John Donne

6. "It is better to know some of the questions than all of the answers." —James Thurber
7. "Kind words do not cost much. Yet they accomplish much." —Blaise Pascal
8. "What is beautiful is good, and who is good will soon be beautiful." —Sappho
9. "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can." —John Wesley
10. "Everyone deserves a standing ovation because we all overcometh the world."
—Auggie Pullman

A Selective Summer Reading List

Choose and read AT LEAST three of the books listed below. Be prepared to discuss them in a book club format as soon as school begins. It is very important that you read a book you enjoy for at least 20-30 minutes every day over the summer.

Title	Author	Description
Stargirl	Jerry Spinelli	The students of Mica High are enchanted. At first. Then they turn on her. Stargirl is suddenly shunned for everything that makes her different, and Leo, panicked and desperate with love, urges her to become the very thing that can destroy her: normal.
Love, Stargirl	Jerry Spinelli	Leo Borlock is Stargirl's former love interest from Mica, Arizona. During the time of this novel, she is writing the world's longest letter to Leo, documenting her days and adventures with her new friends and difficulties in her new town.
Maniac Magee	Jerry Spinelli	Maniac Magee Summary. Maniac Magee, written by Jerry Spinelli in 1990 and winner of the Newbery Medal in 1991, follows an orphaned boy named Jeffery Lionel Magee (colloquially "Maniac" Magee) as he seeks out a home and confronts the racism of the 1980s/1990s in the fictional city of Two Mills, Pennsylvania.
Hunger Games Trilogy	Suzanne Collins	In what was once North America, the Capitol of Panem maintains its hold on its 12 districts by forcing them each to select a boy and a girl, called Tributes, to compete in a nationally televised event called the Hunger Games. Every citizen must watch as the youths fight to the death until only one remains.
Harry Potter Series	J. K. Rowling	The central character in the series is Harry Potter, a boy who lives in Surrey with his aunt, uncle, and cousin - the Dursleys - who

		discovers, at the age of eleven, that he is a wizard, though he lives in the ordinary world of non-magical people known as Muggles.
Artemis Fowl	Eoin Colfer	Artemis Fowl II is the twelve-year-old prodigy, who has dedicated his life to criminal activities. He leads the Fowl criminal empire, which has been established by his family for generations. After significant research, Artemis believes that he has confirmed the existence of fairies.
Holes	Louis Sachar	Stanley Yelnats, a boy who has bad luck due to a curse placed on his great- great-grandfather, is sent to Camp Green Lake, a juvenile detention camp, for a crime he did not commit. Stanley and the other boys at the camp are forced to dig large holes in the dirt every day.
Divergent Series	Veronica Roth	In a post-apocalyptic Chicago, survivors are divided into five factions based on their dispositions: Abnegation, for the selfless; Amity, for the peaceful; Candor, for the honest; Dauntless, for the brave; and Erudite, for the intellectual.
The Maze Runner	James Dashner	In the dark of an elevator, a teenage boy awakes with no memories other than that his name is Thomas. When the elevator comes to a halt, the doors open and Thomas finds himself surrounded by around fifty teenage boys. Their leader, a boy in his late-teens named Alby, welcomes him to the Glade ...
Before We Were Free / Antes de Ser Libres	Julia Alvarez	In the early 1960s in the Dominican Republic, 12-year-old Anita learns that her family is involved in the underground movement to end the bloody rule of the dictator, General Trujillo.
The Sun Is Also a Star	Nicola Yoon	Two teens-- Daniel, the son of Korean shopkeepers, and Natasha, whose Jamaican family is undocumented-- cross paths in New York City and are never the same again.
Bronze and Sunflower	Cao Wenxuan	Taken in by a poor family in a rural village after the death of her father, Sunflower bonds with the family's only child, Bronze, who has not spoken since being traumatized by a terrible fire.
Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard	Rick Riordan	When the god of thunder's hammer goes missing, Magnus Chase and his friends are tasked with retrieving it before an onslaught of giants attacks the mortal world.

Lucy and Linh	Alice Pung	In Australia, Lucy tries to balance her life at home surrounded by her Chinese immigrant family with her life at a pretentious private school.
House of Purple Cedar	Tim Tingle	Rose Goode, a Choctaw girl living in what's now Oklahoma, is the sole survivor when white land-grabbers burn down her school.
Ship Breaker	Paolo Bacigalupi	In a futuristic world, Nailer scavenges copper wiring from grounded oil tankers for a living, but when he finds a bleached clipper ship with a girl in the wreckage, he must decide whether to strip the ship for its wealth or rescue the girl.
The Pants Project	Cat Clarke	Liv knows he is a boy, even though he was assigned "girl" at birth. But at Bankridge Middle School, the dress code means he can't wear pants. Only skirts. So Operation: Pants Project begins!
Secret Keeper	Mitali Perkins	When her father leaves New Delhi, India, to seek a job in 1974 New York, Ashi feels thwarted in the home of her old-fashioned family in Calcutta.
If I Ever Get Out of Here	Eric Gansworth	Seventh-grader Lewis "Shoe" Blake from the Tuscarora Reservation has a new friend from the local Air Force base, but can he rely on this friendship?
Gotham Academy	Becky Cloonan and Brendan Fletcher	Gotham City's most prestigious prep school is a very weird place. It's got a spooky campus, oddball teachers, and rich benefactors like that weirdo Bruce Wayne. But nothing is as strange as the students.
Unidentified Suburban Object	Mike Jung	When a new teacher arrives, Chloe gets a change to explore her family history. But what she unearths is light-years away from what she expected.
Hold Fast	Blue Balliet	The story of a girl who falls into Chicago's shelter system, and from there must solve the mystery of her father's strange disappearance. Where is Early's father? He's not the kind of father who would disappear. But he's gone . . . and he's left a whole lot of trouble behind.
When You Reach Me	Rebecca Stead	In the 1980s, as her mother prepares to be a contestant on a television game show, Miranda tries to make sense of a series of mysterious

		notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.
An Abundance of Katherines	John Green	Colin Singleton, a child prodigy, fears he will not maintain his genius as an adult. Over the span of his life, Colin has dated nineteen girls named Katherine, all spelled in that manner. After being dumped by his girlfriend, Katherine XIX, Colin is longing to feel whole, and longing to matter.
The Fault In Our Stars	John Green	A young teenage girl who has been diagnosed with lung cancer attends a cancer support group. Hazel is 16 and is reluctant to go to the support group, but she soon realizes that it was a good idea. Hazel meets a young boy named Augustus Waters.
Courage for Beginners	Karen Harrington	Twelve-year-old Mysti Murphy wishes she were a character in a book. If her life were fictional, she'd magically know how to deal with the fact that her best friend, Anibal Gomez, has abandoned her in favor of being a "hipster." She'd be able to take care of everyone when her dad has to spend time in the hospital.
Sure Signs of Crazy	Karen Harrington	It's only natural that 12-year-old Sarah Nelson would look for signs that she's going crazy...
Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie	Jordan Sonnenblick	Steven has a totally normal life (well, almost). He plays drums in the All-City Jazz Band, has a crush on the hottest girl in school (who doesn't even know he's alive), and is constantly annoyed by his younger brother, Jeffrey (who is cuter than cute - which is also pretty annoying). But when Jeffrey gets sick, Steven's world is turned upside down, and he is forced to deal with his brother's illness, his parents' attempts to keep the family in one piece, his homework, the band, girls, and Dangerous Pie.
After Ever After (Sequel to Drums, Girls and Dangerous Pie)	Jordan Sonnenblick	Jeffrey isn't a little boy with cancer anymore. He's a teen who's in remission, but life still feels fragile. The aftereffects of treatment have left Jeffrey with an inability to be a great student or to walk without limping. His parents still worry about him. Jeffrey has a little soul searching to do, too, which begins with his escalating anger at Steven, an old friend who is keeping something secret, and a girl who is way out of his league but who thinks he's cute.

The Golden Compass (and His Dark Materials Series)	Philip Pullman	Lyra Belaqua is content to run wild among the scholars of Jordan College, with her daemon familiar Pantalaimon always by her side. But the arrival of her fearsome uncle, Lord Asriel, draws her to the heart of a terrible struggle--a struggle born of Gobblers and stolen children, witch clans and armored bears. And as she hurtles toward danger in the cold, far North, young Lyra never suspects the shocking truth: She alone is destined to win, or to lose, this more-than-mortal battle.
The Percy Jackson Series	Rick Riordan	The books follow the demigod son of Poseidon and his friends on an action-packed quest.
The Heroes of Olympus Series	Rick Riordan	A new Great Prophecy, a new generation of demigods – the adventures have just begun! In this new five-book series, expect to see your old friends from the Percy Jackson books along with a great new cast of main characters, as the heroes of Camp Half-Blood embark on their most dangerous challenge yet.

Non-Fiction

Title	Author	Description
Halfway Home: Drawing My Way Through Japan	Christine Mari Inzer	The summer before she turned 16, Christine Inzer traveled solo to Tokyo to get reacquainted with her birthplace. Through illustrations, photos, and musings, she takes us on a journey through modern Japan.
The Art of the Possible	Edward Keenan	An accessible exploration of Western politics and democracy. Delves into polarization, checks and balances, activism, and the ideology behind practice.
A Young People's History of the United States	Howard Zinn, Adapted by Rebecca Steffoff	From Columbus to Emancipation to the War on Terror, the story of the United States of America.
Night Flying Woman: An Ojibway Narrative	Ignatia Broker	The author tells the story of her great-great-grandmother and subsequent generations of women who survived the shock and trauma of the European invasion.
March trilogy	John Lewis	A first-hand, graphic account of Congressman John Lewis' lifelong struggle for civil and human rights, from lunch counter sit-ins to the march for voting rights in Selma.
Most Dangerous: Daniel	Steve Sheinkin	The gripping story of Daniel Ellsberg and his

Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War		decision to steal and publish secret documents about America's involvement in the Vietnam War.
We Will Not Be Silent	Russell Freedman	The true story of the White Rose, a group of students in Nazi Germany who were active undercover agents of the resistance movement against Hitler and his regime.
Bodies From the Ice: Melting Glaciers and the Rediscovery of the Past	James M. Deem	Explores the discoveries that have been made as the ice masses move and melt, including the preserved frozen remains of Otzi, the oldest human mummy ever found in ice.
Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story	Caren Stelson	Sachiko Yasui, who was six when the USA bombed Nagasaki, survives the attack and the aftermath, and begins a long journey to find peace.
A Different Mirror for Young People: A History of Multicultural America	Ronald T. Takaki	Letters, diaries, and poems share the hopes, dreams, frustrations, oppression, and heartaches of American people young and old.
Temple Grandin	Sy Montgomery	The story of Grandin's life with autism and her groundbreaking work as a scientist and designer of cruelty-free livestock facilities.
Primates: The Fearless Science of Jane Goodall, Dian Fossey, and Birute Galdikas	Jim Ottaviani and Maris Wicks	The true story of three scientists who risked their lives for research that forever changed the way we think about primates-- including ourselves.
At Her Majesty's Request: An African Princess In Victorian England	Walter Dean Myers	Biography of Sarah Forbes Bonetta, who was taken from Africa (present-day Benin and Nigeria) to England and raised as Queen Victoria's goddaughter.
In the Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents, and Five Black Lives	Kenneth C. Davis	The powerful stories of five people who were enslaved by four presidents, from Billy Lee, valet to George Washington, to Alfred Jackson, enslaved by Andrew Jackson.
The Great American Dust Bowl	Don Brown	This graphic history details the causes, horrors, and results of the Dust Bowl, and how the lessons learned are still used today.
Imprisoned: The Betrayal of Japanese Americans During World War II	Martin Sandler	Interviews and oral histories tell stories of survival in Japanese American internment camps during World War II.