

Rising 6th Grade Language Arts Summer Reading Assignment Essay Assignment

Welcome to 6th Grade Language Arts! Below you will find your Summer Reading Assignments. This work is due the first day of the new school year. If you are a new student to FSA you have 30 days to complete the assignment. Please follow all instructions and be mindful of presentation; each page should be neatly handwritten or typed. Hard copies only will be accepted.

Texts: Select only one from the following list:

- *The Night Parade* by Kathryn Tanquary
- *Race to the Sun* by Rebecca Roanhorse
- *Gilded* by Christina L. Farley
- *Lalani of the Distant Sea* by Erin Entrada Kelly
- *Tristan Strong Punches A Hole In The Sky* by Kwame Mbalia

Task 1: You must complete this assignment.

Character List: For the text you have chosen, you will keep a list of major characters including a thorough description and a quote from the text that you feel represents the character. You should have a minimum of 5 characters. Be sure to explain WHY the quote is representative of the character. Include the page number where you found the quote. Follow the format below to complete this portion of the assignment.

Character	Description	Quote
Atticus Finch	Atticus is the father of Scout and Jim Finch. Atticus is a lawyer in the small town of Maycomb, Alabama. Atticus believes in treating everyone with the utmost respect. He feels the courts are a place where all people should be treated equally. He wished to cure the town of Maycomb of a disease: racism.	<p>“You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view . . . until you climb into his skin and walk around in it.”</p> <p>This important snippet of conversation from Chapter 3 finds Atticus giving Scout the crucial piece of moral advice that governs her development for the rest of the novel. The simple wisdom of Atticus’s words reflects the uncomplicated manner in which he guides himself by this sole principle.</p>

Task 2: Theme Analysis

Quote Analysis for Theme

Find **six quotes** from the book that relate to a theme. You should have **six quotes** with analysis by the end! Format as such:

Quote (with page number)

I think the theme in the book that is illustrated in this quote is ____because _____ (1 sentence)

Here is an example from Number the Stars:

“All day long the girls played outside...” (Lowry 69).

Annemarie and Ellen are playing like happy, carefree children. They are taking their minds away from the war around them and using play to escape. Ultimately this is a moment for the reader to remember that Annemarie and Ellen are merely children.

I think the theme in the book that is illustrated in this quote is the loss of childhood innocence because this is a rare moment where the girls can actually act like children.

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Final Notes:

Please put forth your best effort on this assignment. It is very important that your teachers get an authentic representation of your writing abilities at the start of the year.

It is obvious when a student copies and pastes character descriptions or theme analysis from online sources including AI. Plagiarism will result in a grade of zero and disciplinary action.