

# Charles County Public Schools Middle School Summer Reading

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This summer reading challenge is for incoming 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The purpose is to continue students' joy of reading and thinking throughout the entire year. There are three different ways to complete the summer reading. Be sure to see the next page for additional information about a beginning of the year assignment.



1. Complete the **Charles County Public School** “Level Up” Challenge through Beanstack.

For more information login onto your Beanstack account through Clever. Prizes are awarded with this challenge.

2. Complete the **Charles County Public Library** summer reading challenge.

For more information, go to the [CCPL website](#) or visit your local library. Prizes are awarded with this challenge.

3. Read one middle school appropriate book.

Read any book you find interesting (graphic novels and audiobooks count!). Pick something you will enjoy reading and makes you think.

## Book Suggestions

Are you looking for a good book to read, here are some websites to help you look:

- [2021-2022 Black-eyed Susan Nominees](#)
- [KidsPost Summer Reading Book Club \(Washington Post\)](#)
- [50 Books for Upper Middle Grades \(age 11 – 15\)](#)
- [Coretta Scott King Book Award Winners](#)
- [The Ultimate Summer Reading Book List for Middle Schoolers \(Scholastic\)](#)

# Prepare for the Future

**Task:** One of the first assignments students will complete in September is an assignment called “One-Pager.” Once school starts, students will learn exactly what is needed to complete this assignment from their language arts teacher. The first step of the assignment is to read a book. The book students read in the summer can be used for students to create their one-pager.

Below are ways to prepare for the upcoming assignment. Get ahead of the class by taking a few notes about your reading. Consider taking notes on the following areas.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme</b></p> <p>What image would you use to capture the theme?</p> <p>Create a list of 3-4 words or phrases that are important to the story</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Movie</b></p> <p>If the book was a movie, what actor/actress would play the main characters (if already a movie, picture different actors/actresses.)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Changing Characters</b></p> <p>3 ways the main character changes throughout the book</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Quotes</b></p> <p>3 VERY important sentences from the book</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Setting</b></p> <p>2-3 images that shows the story’s setting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Song List</b></p> <p>2-3 songs that match well with the story</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Important scenes</b></p> <p>List the three most important events in the book</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Your Reaction</b></p> <p>4-5 words or phrases describing your reactions to the book</p>