

**CCA Summer Reading Project**  
**for Students Entering 6th Grade**

Hello CCA Families,

Who's ready to dive into some good books this summer? Students entering 6th grade are being asked to read a minimum of **three books** over their summer break. What a wonderful way to practice the phonics, language arts, and reading comprehension strategies they have learned this year, as well as go on new adventures with some beloved and classic characters.

Students are to choose 3 books that are grade level appropriate to read this summer. They will then choose 1 of the 3 books on which to complete a project. This project will be completed over the summer and turned in to their new teacher in the fall.

Students should write down the titles and authors of the three books they are choosing to read. **Please sign and return this form with your student's completed project when they return on Monday, August 28, 2023.**

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Poore (Principal) at [lpore@chestertownchristian.org](mailto:lpore@chestertownchristian.org).

Thank you!

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, and have read the following three books for my required summer reading project.

1. Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

I have chosen one of the books listed above on which to complete my project.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **CCA's 2023 Suggested Summer Reading Book List for Students Entering 6th Grade:**

1. Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls
2. Sarah Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan
3. Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare
4. The Swiss Family Robinson by Johann David Wyss
5. The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum
6. The Bronze Bow by Elizabeth George Speare

**Project:** Diorama Shoebox Book Report

### **Assignment:**

Design a shoebox diorama related to the book you have chosen from either from the Suggested Summer REading Book List or an age appropriate book of your choice.

### **Materials Needed:**

- Adult size shoebox or similar sized box
- Wrapping Paper
- Paint
- Construction Paper
- Glue
- Scissors
- 3-D Items (ex: craft sticks may be used to build a fence)
- 4x6 index cards
- Markers
- Black Ink Pen

### **What is a Diorama?**

A diorama is a three-dimensional model representing an important scene from your book. It has a background and uses three-dimensional figures. Pinterest has many great examples.

### **Directions:**

1. Cover the outside of your box with wrapping paper or construction paper
2. Write all of your information neatly on 4x6 index cards in black ink, then glue them to the proper sides of the box.
  - a. THE INSIDE OF THE BOX - Should be decorated like a mini museum exhibit to depict an important scene from your book.
  - b. THE TOP OF THE BOX - Include the title of your book, the author's name, book genre, number of pages in the book, and your first and last name.
  - c. THE LEFT SIDE OF THE BOX - List and describe the main characters of this book. List three adjectives and 2-3 sentences for each main character.
  - d. THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE BOX - Describe the setting of the story. Tell where and when the story takes place. Also describe the scene inside of your box.

- e. THE BACK OF THE BOX - Write a short summary of the story. You should have important events from the beginning, middle, and end. Include the main conflict/problem and its solution.
- f. THE BOTTOM OF THE BOX - Who was your favorite character? Why? Would you recommend this book to other students? How many stars would you give this book with four being the best and one being the worst? Why?

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**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Book:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Diorama Shoebox Grading Rubric**

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Points Available</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
Turned in on time	10 points	
Grammar Conventions	10 points	
Followed Directions/Construction/Neatness	10 points	
Construction/Depiction of Important Scene	20 points	
Box Top Information	10 points	
Left/Right Side Information	10 points	
Summary - Back of Box	20 points	
Bottom of Box Information	10 points	
Total Points	100 points	