



English Language Arts
Mrs. Zadrozny
Summer Reading List
2023

Incoming 8th Grade Reading Requirements:

Read:

1. "A Monster Calls," novel by Patrick Ness
2. "The Midnight Library," novel by Matt Haig
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3. A book of YOUR choice.

Listen/Watch:

"Your Story is Your Superpower," Matthew Carter, TEDxHilliard Talk (YouTube video)

Write:

1. A book report on "A Monster Calls." Use a scale of 1 to 4 stars; 1 being "I would not recommend this book to my worst enemy," and 4 being, "It's awesome - read it!" write a book on ONE of the assigned novels. Give a summary of the book. Cite TWO quotes from the novel (with page numbers). 1-3 Paragraphs.
2. Pick two slang words or phrases you think need to be outlawed. Explain your choices. For example, one term I never want to hear again is, "baby girl." Grown women and anyone over the age of 2 should not, in my opinion, be referred to as "baby girl." It makes me crazy!

Visit: Your local library. No, seriously, you should know the location of your nearest library. Maybe you don't know this, but the Buffalo & Erie County Library system is amazing. They have all kinds of books, of course, but the downtown Central Library has a complete digital media and music lab that you can use and it's completely FREE! 3D printers, laser printers, electric guitars, green screens...they even have sports equipment you can check out.

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