



TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Summer Reading 2018 Middle School

**Written evaluations for summer reading have changed.
Changes are italicized for your convenience.
Please read this document carefully.**

Realizing that reading and writing are fundamental skills needed by every student and are essential to succeed in a very competitive world, the academic team at Trinity strives to deliver the best instruction in these areas that we can provide. With God's blessing and guidance, we have been able to build a solid curriculum that meets these goals. As part of that curriculum, each Trinity student entering grades 6-12 will complete summer reading that includes reading and interpreting literature. The reading list for this project includes one book from the Bible and one literary selection. **Please pay careful attention to the "Required and Selected Literary Reading" section below because it clearly describes what is expected.**

Biblical Reading:

After reading the assigned book of the Bible, each student will create a devotional based on a passage from that book. Students should remember to include the scriptures from which they are taking their lessons and be very thorough. They must make sure that the lessons drawn from the scriptures are very clear to the reader and can be very easily taught to students in class. The devotional should take no less than 5-10 minutes to present and will include a visual aid (i.e., handout, poster, PowerPoint, etc. No word searches). Students will share their devotionals in Bible class on an assigned date. This assignment will count as a test grade.

Required and Selected Literary Reading:

Over the summer the students will NOT have to complete a writing assignment. However, students must have read the assigned works thoroughly to participate in a brief class discussion of key elements in August. At the beginning of school, the English teachers will instruct students on the preparation of the literary analysis. Students will be expected to complete the literary analysis within the first seven school days. Upon completion of the literary analysis, the student will earn a test grade for the revised rough draft and a test grade for the final copy.

2018 Middle School Summer Reading List

6th Grade:

Biblical Reading: *Proverbs*

Required Literary Reading: *Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson

Literary Analysis: External Conflict

7th Grade:

Biblical Reading: *Romans*

Required Literary Reading: *Soldier's Heart* by Gary Paulsen

Literary Analysis: External Conflict

8th Grade:

Biblical Reading: *John*

Required Literary Reading: *The Hiding Place* by Corrie Ten Boom

Literary Analysis: Internal Conflict

A graphic organizer will be completed by the student the first day of school. The student will earn bonus points for the completion of the graphic organizer. The teacher will apply the bonus points to the literary analysis grade.

Note: Teachers will be checking SparkNotes and online sources to ensure no plagiarism has occurred. Please ensure your child does his/her own work.