

## 5th Grade Summer Requirements 2018-2019

**Required reading:** the student gets to choose his/her book. He/She will complete a “Paper Bag Character Study” that will be due on the first day of school. For this assignment, students need to study, analyze and report on different aspects of the main character in the book they are reading.

Student Instructions for “Paper Bag Character Study”:

For this assignment, you will need a brown paper lunch-size bag to complete this assignment. You will need to choose a character from your book. Be sure to pick memorable character -- it will make it much easier to complete this assignment.

This assignment has several components:

- On the front panel of your paper bag, draw your character. You can use a template, cutouts from magazines, or draw your own picture. Be creative!
- On one of the side panels, write about your character’s likes and dislikes. Include one paragraph (6 -- 8 sentences) for each, and use supporting evidence from the book.
- On the other side panel, write about how other characters in the story react and interact with your character. Remember to use at least three pieces of supporting evidence from the book.
- On the back panel, explain how your character changed throughout the book. What was your character like at the beginning of the text? At the end? Did your character change, and if so, was it a good or bad change? Include strong supporting evidence from the text.
- Inside your bag, include 10 items that you would associate with your character. Be prepared to explain and defend your choices in the oral presentation. Dig deep into the novel to explain your reason for choosing these items.
- Oral Presentation- You will be asked to orally present your assignment at a later date. In your presentation, be prepared to explain who your character is, and what book your character is from. Briefly explain your information on the two side panels and back panel (DO NOT READ your information-just give a quick summary). Explain how and why you chose the 10 items you chose to put in your bag, and why they are important to your character.

Have fun with this assignment, and be creative!