



Summer Reading 6th Grade

- *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
- *Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie* by Jordan Sonnenblick

Pick one of the topics below for each book and write an essay in a minimum of 250 words. You can pick the same topic for each book if you would like.

This means you will have two essays with you on the first day of school. We will discuss both books in class and you will be tested on the material.

ESSAY TOPICS

1. Write a review of your book and rate on a scale of 1 to 4 stars with 4 stars being great.
2. Choose one character from the book and write about a trait of the character that you find admirable.
3. Write about what changes you might make to the ending of the book.

Other suggested reading:

Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis

The Boy Who Dared by Susan Campbell Bartoletti

Ghost by Jason Reynolds

One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia

Chasing Lincoln's Killer by James L. Swanson

Heat by Mike Lupica

Birmingham, 1963 by Carole Boston Weatherford

The Incredible Journey by Sheila Burnford

The River by Gary Paulsen (sequel to *Hatchet*)