



The Calverton School

2026-2027 Summer Work

6th and 7th Grade English Summer Work

For your summer assignment, you will challenge yourself to read a book outside of your usual comfort zone. Instead of choosing the type of book you normally enjoy, try exploring a different genre. For example, if you usually read fantasy or science fiction, choose historical fiction or realistic fiction instead. If romance is your favorite genre, consider trying science fiction, mystery, or nonfiction.

Avoid choosing “classic” novels or books that everyone recommends. Instead, visit a library or bookstore and discover something new on your own!

Book Requirements

1. Choose a book that you have never read before. You may borrow, purchase, or check out your book from a library.
2. Your book must be:
 - At least 200 pages long with mostly full pages of text.
 - If you choose a manga, graphic novel, comic, or poetry collection, it must total at least 300 pages. You may combine multiple volumes to meet the requirement.
3. As you read, use sticky notes or page markers to identify the five most important passages in the book.
 - On each sticky note, write 1–2 sentences explaining why the passage is meaningful or important.
 - Be sure to underline, highlight, or clearly mark the full passage you selected.

Reflection Essay Instructions

After finishing your book and selecting your five important passages, write a short reflection essay responding to the following prompt:

“How did this book change your perspective about something in your life?”

Essay Requirements

- Your essay must be handwritten.
- It should be at least 400 words.
- Use lined paper and double-space your writing.
- Include thoughtful examples and personal reflection.

Submission Instructions

1. Bring your book to class on the first day of school with your five marked passages clearly visible.
2. Attach your handwritten essay to this assignment sheet using a staple or paper clip.
3. Write your name at the top of this page and complete any required information before submitting.
4. Essays that are not handwritten will need to be redone. Students will also be required to choose a new book and complete a new essay.

Enjoy your summer, explore something new, and happy reading!