

# Summer 2023 Rising 8th Grade Reading Assignment

You've made it to your final summer reading assignment for middle school! Below you will find the required summer reading assignments. These assignments are intended to help prepare you for the upcoming school year. You must complete all assignments and have them ready to turn in on the first day of school. We will be discussing the assignments during the first weeks of school. Please be sure to present your best work!

**Directions:** Read the "Required Reading" selection, and choose one of the "Your Choice" books. Do not choose a text you have already read.

- Write a one-page summary of *The River*.
- Write a one-page essay on your favorite book from either the Required Reading section or the Your Choice section. Be sure to explain why you enjoyed the book, considering the following: setting, characters, and plot details.

## Required Reading:

*The River*, Gary Paulsen ISBN: 978-0307929617

## Your Choice:

*Little Women*, Louisa May Alcott

*Rescue Josh McGuire*, Ben Mikaelson

*Frankenstein*, Mary Shelley

*A Tale of Two Cities*, Charles Dickens

*I Am Mordred*, Nancy Springer