



Founders Academy Summer Independent Reading 2024

1. Choose one of the books from the list provided for your grade level - this would be the grade that you are **entering** for the 2024 - 2025 school year!
2. You should make a plan for reading your book at a reasonable pace. Don't put it off until the last minute!
3. You can do any of these projects electronically or on paper - the choice is yours! You only need to choose ONE PROJECT TO COMPLETE!
4. **All projects need to include: your name, grade, title of book, and author and be ready to submit to your ELA teacher during the first week of school.**

Incoming 6th Grade Reading List Choices

Frizzy - Claribel A. Ortega

Too Bright To See - Kyle Lukoff

Holes - Louis Sachar

Midsummer's Mayhem - Rajani LaRocca

Rising 7th Grade Reading List Choices

The Girl Who Drank the Moon - Kelly Barnhill

Redwall - Brian Jacques

Borders - Thomas King and Natasha Donovan

Lotería - Karla Valenti

Rising 8th Grade Reading List Choices

Elatsoe - Darcie Little Badger

Catching Fire - Suzanne Collins

Number the Stars - Lois Lowry

Before We Were Free - Julia Alvarez

Summer Independent Reading Project Options

1. Book Review

Review your novel, and include the following:

- a. An image of the book cover (you can get this online!)
- b. Title and author
- c. Genre of the story (you can look this up online or just email me for help!)
- d. Names of major characters
- e. Brief description of conflict(s)
- f. What you liked/disliked about the book
- g. Recommendation for a specific audience.

This should be done in the style of a “blog post”. An example is included [here](#). And here is an example from a [student at Founders](#).

2. Write a letter to the author of the book.

- a. Tell them what you liked and disliked about the story and their writing style.
- b. Give them specific reasons and examples from the story to support what you say.
- c. Be sure that your letter is in the correct format. [Here is a general example](#). Here is an example from a [student at Founders](#).

3. Make a scrapbook about one of the main characters in the book.

- a. This should look like a real scrapbook, complete with actual memorabilia, awards, letters, photos, mementos, ticket stubs, report cards, etc.
- b. Include the book title or the character’s name on the book.
- c. Label each item (at least 5-10) and explain its significance.
- d. It is recommended that you do this in Google Slides and find pictures to go along with your writing. Here is a shortened one for you as an [example](#). Also included is an example from a [student at Founders](#).

4. Create a playlist/soundtrack for the book.

- a. Design album art/cover (front and back)
- b. The back cover should list the soundtrack for the novel (title and artist) that includes at least 8 well-known songs.
- c. On the inside, write at least 2-3 sentences (per song) explaining how it relates to the story events or characters
- d. The look of the front cover is up to you! Here is a [student example from Founders](#).
- e. **ALTERNATIVELY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO:** You can use a program such as Prezi to complete this assignment. [Here is a great example!](#)

Good Luck and Happy Reading! We can’t wait to see you in the fall!