

Summer Reading List for Grade Eight 2009-2010

Required reading:

1. • Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor (**A and B students only**)
or
1. • Trouble Don't Last or Elijah (alternates for Roll of Thunder)
2. • Amos Fortune Freeman--**everyone** (I have copies for you to keep)
3. • The Watsons Go to Birmingham--1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis--**everyone**
4. • Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko (for fun--**everyone**)

There will be follow up activities in September on **all of the summer reading**. In addition, **you will need to buy the following paper back books for the school year:**

- Souder
- To Kill a Mockingbird (an alternate book will be assigned to a few students)
- The Red Badge of Courage
- The Giver

Please look for a unifying theme for all of your summer reading. This will be our literary theme for the year. We will discuss, have a test on, and do a follow up activity on each of the books you are reading for the summer. The first book you will need to buy for school is Souder.

Have a whale of a summer. Rest well and come back to school refreshed ! and ready



to work!

Happy Summer! Mrs. Small
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