

St. Patrick Catholic School
6th-8th Grade Summer Reading and Book Review 2018

This summer, you will need to read **two books** in your AR reading range. **Do NOT read below your range.** If you want to read a book above your range, you **MAY DO SO** *with your parents' written permission.* (*Have a parent sign your book review if you read a book above your AR reading range.*) To check the AR level of a book, go to the link for AR Bookfinder on the school website library page.

The Book Review instructions are as follows:

Summary: Write a summary of the book.

1st paragraph- Write about the setting, (where the story takes place, usually time and place). Introduce the main character or characters in the story. Ex. What are the character's qualities, name, etc. Discuss what conflict/problem the main character faces in the story. If you're still having trouble starting, you can answer the questions *who, what, when, where, and how.*

2nd paragraph- Summarize what happens up until the high point of the story, (don't give away the ending, this should be just enough to tease the reader into wanting to get this book. Use some of these transition words to help you write your review.

<i>first</i>	<i>also</i>	<i>because</i>	<i>another</i>
<i>second</i>	<i>between next</i>		<i>as a result</i>
<i>third</i>	<i>finally</i>	<i>then</i>	<i>later</i>
<i>last</i>	<i>after that</i>	<i>for example</i>	<i>during</i>

Opinion: Write a paragraph giving your opinion on the book. Use these guidelines:

Write about why you like or dislike the book. Give details, for example: Was the book confusing? Was it too easy to read or too hard? Was it predictable/believable? Did you like the ending? What was your favorite part? What connections did you make with your life or other books? Talk about the author's style of writing and give examples from the book. *Minimum five sentences.*

Recommendation: Explain whether you would recommend this book to student or not. Rate the book from 1 star to 5 stars, and give examples why you gave it the rating you did. Examples should include a quote or quotes from the book, or a summary of the part of the book that you liked or did not like.