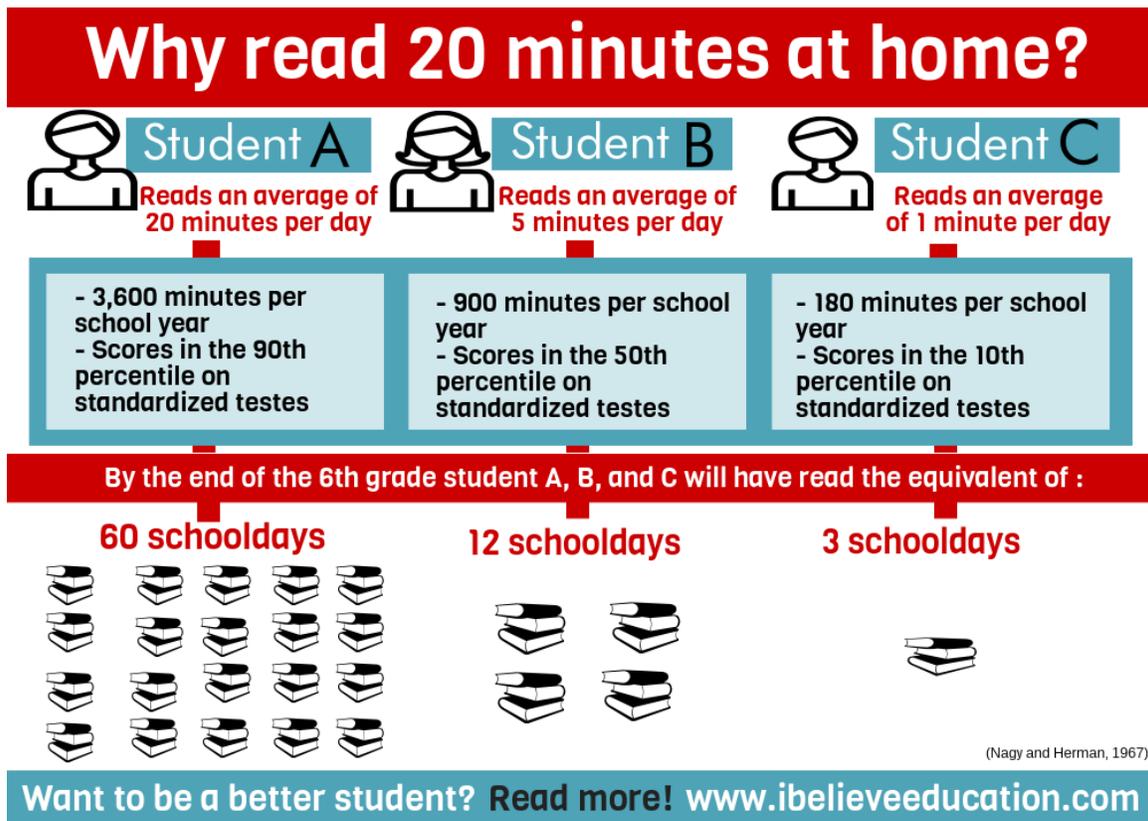


Grade 7 and 8 Summer Reading

Summer is a time for students to relax, rejuvenate and but it is also extremely important that they read. If your child hasn't been reading regularly this summer, they may be in danger of the "summer slide" — a decline in their reading ability. Numerous studies indicate that students who don't read or read infrequently during their summer vacation see their reading abilities stagnate or decline. This effect becomes more pronounced as students get older and advance through the school system.

Why is it important to read every day?

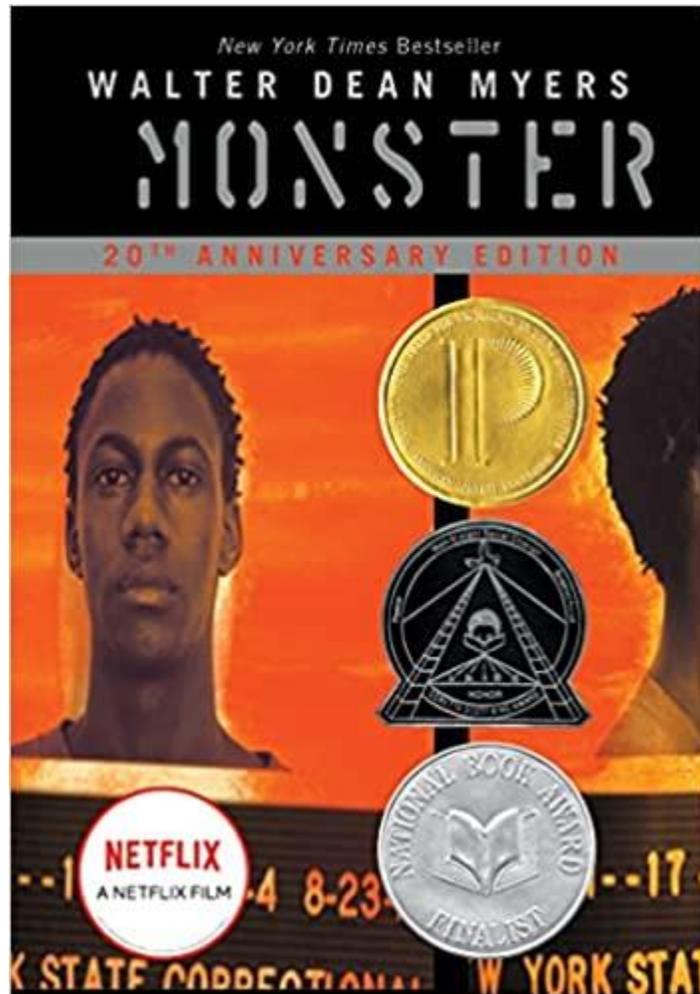


The following is a list of the summer reading books. Select two of the three possibilities. Total point value is 200 pt (two test grades) Attached you will find activities to

Happy Reading!

Monster

By Walter Dean Myers



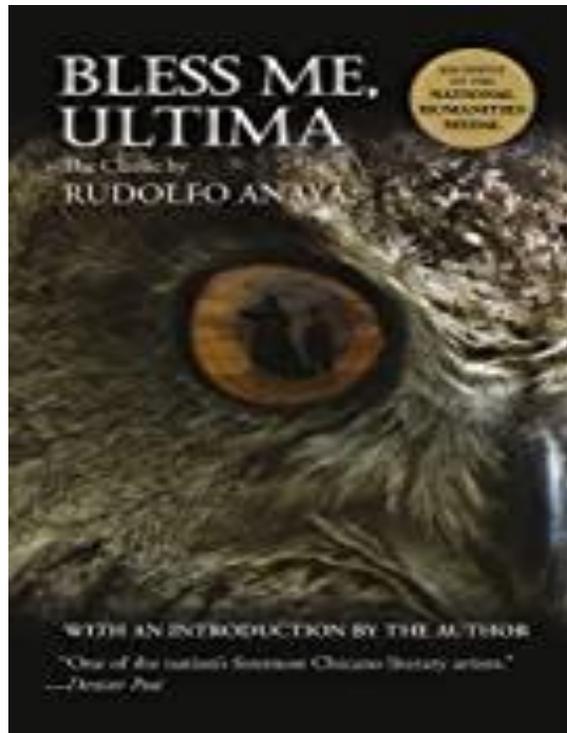
Novel: Monsters
Author: Walter Dean Myers

Activity: Please see attached Activity Options.

Amazon.com: \$7.99 paperback

Barnesandnoble.com: \$9.99

Bless Mi Ultima by Rudolfo Anaya



Story: [Bless Mi Ultima](#)

Author: Rudolfo Anaya

Activity: Please see attached Activity Options.

Amazon.com: \$7.99 paperback

Barnesandnoble.com: \$8.00

Summer Reading Activity Options

Option 1: Create a map for the setting of the book. Include key locations from the story. Next to each location, write a brief **annotation** of what happened there. Include at least five **annotations**, all of which must reflect the parts of the book you found most interesting. The theme of the map should match the themes of the book. Maps should be created on 11" x 13" poster board. Neatness and presentation count.

Option 2: Create a newspaper front page about the book. Include at least four "stories" of events from the book, as well as, pictures or illustrations that reflect the parts there were most interesting to you. The newspaper should be created on 11" x 13" poster board. Neatness and presentation count.

Option 3: Create a Wanted Poster for the main character (size: 14 X 21). Include specific characteristic that this character holds. Include details of events (3 minimum) that are significant during his/her life. Attached a ½ single space report details **your opinion**, as to what social justice issues/civil rights issues are related to the book. Need help creating your wanted poster? See: [Create a Wanted Poster for a School Project - Story, Novel or Play - BrightHub Education](#)