

**Summer is an opportunity ...**to sample new authors and new genres, to read for pleasure, to escape into fantasy and adventure, or to explore a favorite fascinating subject.

In this year's summer reading program, students will complete an assignment based on two of their summer reading books.

Check the back cover of the brochure for your grade level assignment.

When you return to school next fall, bring your completed assignments to share. Your teachers will be excited to hear about what you have read this summer!

**Don't forget to list your books on the Governor's Reading Challenge form.**

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**Happy Reading!**

Look for the  
JRMS  
Summer Reading Cart  
at the Mark Twain Library  
(...books on tape and CD  
available ...)

### **Grades 5-6 Assignment:**

**Select one book that you read and write about the following:**

Which part of the book do you think was **most** important?

Use information from the book and your life to explain why you chose that part. Make a connection.

**Select another book that you read and write about the following:**

Which character in the story would you like to know and why?

### **Grades 7-8 Assignment:**

**Select one book that you read and write about the following:**

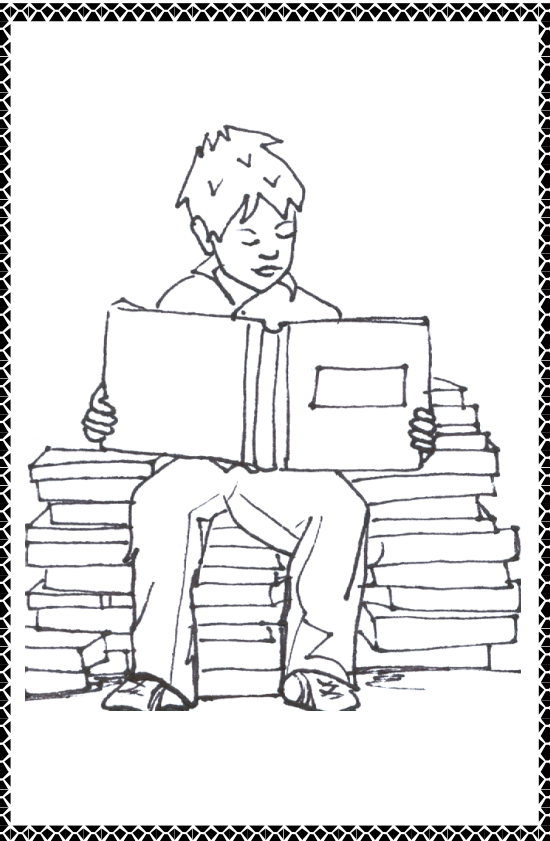
Which part of the book do you think was **most** important?

Be specific – use examples from the book to support your ideas.

**Select another book that you read and write about the following:**

Which character in the story would you like to know and why?

# JRMS Summer Reading 2010



### Nutmeg 2011 Nominees Intermediate

*Elephant Run* by Roland Smith  
*Eleven* by Patricia Reilly Giff  
*First Light* by Rebecca Stead  
*Iron Thunder* by Avi  
*The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies  
*Night of the Howling Dogs* by Graham Salisbury  
*No Talking* by Andrew Clements  
*One-Handed Catch* by M.J. Auch  
*The Thing About Georgie* by Lisa Graff  
*Swindle* by Gordon Korman

### 2008, 2009 and 2010 Nutmeg Book Award Intermediate Nominees (suggested for grades 5-6)

*Drita, My Homegirl* by Jenny Lombard  
*The Ghost's Grave* by Peg Kehret  
*Paint the Wind* by Pam Munoz Ryan  
*Rules* by Cynthia Lord  
*Blood on the River* by Elisa Carbone  
*Attack of the Turtle* by Drew Carlson  
*A Dog's Life: The Autobiography of a Stray* by Ann M. Martin  
*Double Identity* by Margaret Peterson Haddix  
*The Stumptown Kid* by Carol Gorman and Ron Findley  
*The Year of the Dog* by Grace Lin  
*World Kind* by J. Stewart  
*Eager* by Helen Fox  
*Golden and Grey* by Louise Arnold  
*Gossamer* by Lois Lowry  
*The Homework Machine* by Dan Gutman  
*MVP* by Douglas Evans  
*Shakespeare's Secret* by Elise Broach  
*A Bear Named Trouble* by Marion Dane Bauer  
*White Star: A Dog on the Titanic* by Marty Crisp

### Newbery Winners

2008 *Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village* by L. Schiltz  
2007 *The Higher Power of Lucky* by Susan Patron  
2006 *Criss Cross* by Lynne Rae Perkins  
2005 *Kira Kira* by Cynthia Kadohata

## Suggested Authors To Explore

Avi  
Stephen E. Ambrose  
Laurie Halse Anderson  
Ray Bradbury  
Charlotte Bronte  
Matt Christopher  
Susan Cooper  
Sharon Creech  
Michael Crichton  
Karen Cushman  
Daniel Defoe  
Kate DiCamillo  
Nancy Farmer  
Esther Forbes  
Jean Craighead George  
Margaret Haddix  
Joan Hiatt Harlow

**Students are required to read two or more fiction or nonfiction books this summer and complete the assignment listed on the back of the brochure.**

**Books may be chosen from the Nutmeg lists, Newbery lists, from any of the authors listed above OR from your own personal choice.**

**Remember to add all books read to the Governor's Summer Reading List.**

### Nutmeg 2011 Nominees Teens

*All of the Above* by Shelly Pearsall  
*Alphabet of Dreams* by Susan Fletcher  
*Chains* by Laurie H. Anderson  
*The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks* by E. Lockhart  
*Home of the Brave* by Katherine Applegate  
*The Last Dragon* by Silvana deMari  
*The London Eye Mystery* by Siobhan Dowd  
*Unwind* by Neal Shusterman  
*Waiting for Normal* by Leslie Connor  
*The Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt

### 2008, 2009 and 2010 Nutmeg Book Award Teen Nominees (suggested for grades 7-8)

*Crackback* by John Coy  
*Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie* by Jordan Sonnenblick  
*Epic* by Conor Kostick  
*Day of Tears* by Julius Lester  
*Heat* by Mike Lupica  
*Jeremy Fink and The Meaning of Life* by Wendy Maas  
*Skulduggery Pleasant* by Derek Landy  
*Life As We Knew It* by Susan Beth Pfeffer  
*Pieces of Georgia* by Jen Bryant  
*The Schwa Was Here* by Neal Shusterman  
*Uglies* by Scott Westerfeld  
*Bucking the Sarge* by Christopher Paul Curtis  
*Down the Rabbit Hole* by Peter Abrahams  
*Emako Blue* by Brenda Woods  
*The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan  
*Eyes of the Emperor* by Graham Salisbury  
*The River Between Us* by Richard Peck  
*Shackleton's Stowaway* by Victoria McKernan  
2004 *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate Di Camillo  
2003 *Crispin: The Cross of Lead* by Avi  
2002 *A Single Shard* by Linda Sue Park  
2001 *A Year Down Yonder* by Richard Peck

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