

June 2024

Dear Incoming Seventh Graders,

I am so excited to continue your journey through Middle School with you. We all know each other, and you know my expectations, so the transition should be smooth.

1. You will be reading the novel The Westing Game, by Ellen Raskin over the summer. We will read about what happens when sixteen people are gathered together for the reading of a will...

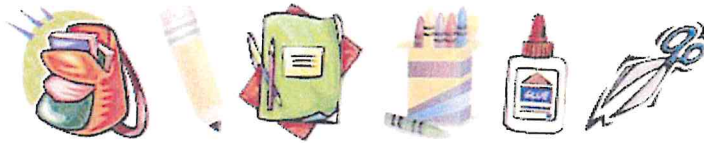
As you read, you will complete the attached pages. These papers will be collected and graded the first week back. Bring the novel with you the first day.

There will be a TEST on the novel and you will write a THEME Essay during the first two weeks of school.

2. You will also read any other grade appropriate book. You will create a One-Pager to showcase your book during the first full week of school. You must have the book with you when school starts.

I hope you have a wonderful summer. I look forward to having you in my class again. Be prepared to work hard and have fun!

Mrs. Sammons



MIDDLE SCHOOL-LANGUAGE ARTS SUPPLY LIST 2024-2025

- 1- 12 pack of pencils ***** (already sharpened)
- 2- Pink or gum erasers
- 4- pens (red, black, blue)
- Highlighters- at least 3
- Dry Erase Markers- preferably EXPO brand (4 pack)
- Colored pencils or 24 pack of crayons
- 3-glue sticks (have back up at home please)
- Scissors
- Large soft zippered pencil case- NO HARD BOXES
- 2 - folders
- 1 - Marble composition notebook labeled: Writer's Notebook. NO SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS FOR L ARTS.
- 1- Multi-pocket Folder (Usually has 6 - 8 pockets)
- 1- 1" Binder
- Earbuds in ziplock bag labeled with student's name
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 1 pack of computer paper
- 1 box of tissues

Please remove all supplies from the packages and have them in the pencil case.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Fill in the chart using your novel. There may be more than one answer for each term.

LITERARY ELEMENTS	Setting	
	Conflict	
	Resolution	
	Protagonist/ Antagonist	
	Plot	

Characters & Traits

For each character, list 4 traits. Then, give a brief description on why they are important to the story. The examples of character traits below are not necessarily the answers. They are thought starters.

Examples of Character Traits -

Friendly	Trustworthy
Selfish	Shy
Kind	Independent
Brave	Clumsy
Spoiled	Dishonest
Lucky	Fearful
Lazy	Grumpy
Bossy	Loving
Picky	Calm
Tidy	Respectful

"THE WESTING GAME"

Characters and Traits

CHARACTER	TRAITS	SIGNIFICANCE
Turtle Wexler		
Grace Windsor Wexler		
Angela Wexler		
Flora Baumbach		
Theo Theodorakis		

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One-Sentence Chapter Summaries

In each box, write a one-sentence summary of each chapter. Focus on the main characters, setting, and plot of the chapter.

Chapter 1

Chapter 2

Chapter 3

Chapter 4

Chapter 5

Chapter 6

Chapter 7

Chapter 8

Chapter 9

Chapter 10

Chapter 11

Chapter 12

Chapter 13

Chapter 14

Chapter 15

Chapter 16

Chapter 17

Chapter 18

Chapter 19

Chapter 20

Chapter 21

Chapter 22

Chapter 23

Chapter 24