

**2026 Summer Reading Assignment -
Incoming 8th Grade (Summer 2026)**

Choose one of the following books to read over the summer and then complete the Choice Board Activities.

Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry by Mildred Taylor

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt

Hidden Figures (Young Readers Edition) by Margot Lee Shetterly



(See Choice Board Assignments on next page, assignments are due September 19th and will be graded.)

Choice Board Assignments:

Directions: After reading your novel, ***start with number 5*** and then choose two other activities. All activities can be shared with or sent to Mrs. Amigable by **September 19th**. email is: aamigable@nativitymail.org

1 Create a fictional interview with the main character or author where you play the character/author and dress the part. Write a complete script in Google Docs. Interview must have at 10 complex questions regarding their actions, relationships, likes, dislikes, feelings, and maybe what they learned. Share or send to Mrs. Amigable.	2 Create four character trading cards using the digital tool of your choice. Remember to include the character's name, an image, and at least five characteristics for each character. Share or send to Mrs. Amigable.	3 Write a diary from the point of view of one of the story's main characters that they would have written before, during, or after the book's events. Remember that the character's thoughts and feelings are very important in a diary. Must be at least three paragraphs using the correct format. Share or send to Mrs. Amigable.
4 Create a timeline of events from your book. Include important dates, character introductions, conflicts and resolution, images to represent each event. Use Google slides or create a google document, share or send to Mrs. Amigable.	5 Write a one-paragraph summary of your novel, and share on a google slide. Add an image of the book cover. Share or send to Mrs. Amigable.	6 If this novel had a soundtrack, what would it be? Create a playlist with at least 10 songs that would make a great soundtrack. Explain each of your choices in a Google Doc and where they fit in the story. Share or send to Mrs. Amigable.
7 Create a comic strip, at least four pictures, retelling the story in your own words. Be sure to include all of the important characters, exciting events, conflicts, and resolution. Take a photo of your comic strip and share or send to Mrs. Amigable.	8 Create a video book trailer using the digital tool of your choice. Remember to include music to set the tone, and tell a brief story about the central conflict and characters without revealing too much! Tease the audience! You can find examples on YouTube. Share or send to Mrs. Amigable.	9 Create a new book jacket for the novel. Use the digital tool of your choice or the artistic medium of your choice (draw, paint, etc.). Remember to include a summary about the author and an eye-catching cover image. Use Google slides and share or send a picture of the front and back of your book cover.