

First Baptist Academy Summer Reading Assignment

## **Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Graders**

The summer provides numerous opportunities for rest, relaxation, and reading! It's my prayer that you experience all three. To encourage students to read throughout the summer, I have selected novels for each our incoming Middle Schoolers. For our incoming 7th Graders enrolled at First Baptist Academy, please see the specifics for the required reading, below. However, it is my prayer that our students read several books (various genres) throughout the summer, not only to acquire additional knowledge, but also for enjoyment. I pray everyone has a safe summer, and I am already looking forward to a great year with your child.

Reading Selections: Choose one of the following novels.

Captains Courageous by Rudyard Kipling	ISBN# 1495283062
Kidnapped by Robert Louis Stevenson	ISBN-13# 9780553212600
Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson	ISBN-13# 9780061975165

**Presentations** are due Wednesday, August 16, and they are equivalent to a test grade (80 points are available).

Students should create a presentation on their book selection using Microsoft PowerPoint, Apple Keynote, or Prezi. The elements, below, should be included in the presentation. There should be a minimum of 15 (or a maximum of 18) slides using text, clipart, and/or animations.

- 1. Book Title (5 points)
- 2. Information about the Author (5 points)
- 3. Information about Main Character(s) (5 points)
- 4. Information about Minor character(s) (5 points)
- 5. Information about the Protagonist(s) (5 points)
- 6. Information about the Antagonist(s) (5 points)
- 7. Setting (5 points)
- 8. Discussion of 2-3 major events in the novel (10 points)
- 9. Discussion of 1-2 main conflicts in the novel (10 points)
- 10. Resolution (5 points)

11. Include **two** of the following: theme, examples of figurative language, historical connections, or text-text connections. (10 points)

12. Consider the overall theme of your Summer Reading novel and determine with which one of the five aspects of the Biblical Worldview (God, Creation, Mankind, Purpose, Moral Order) it most closely identifies. On the final slide, identify your choice using evidence from the text to explain. If you are unsure as to which aspect of the Biblical Worldview the novel connects, you may use details to explain a text (novel)-to-text (Bible) connection. (10 points)

If you have any additional questions, please contact Krista Murray at kristam@fbcjaxacademy.com.