



## **SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 8**

### **SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Read one fiction book of your choice at or above the Grade 7 reading level and complete the fiction book report form found below. This should be turned in to your child's teacher by **Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**.
2. Read *When My Name Was Keoko* by Linda Sue Park. Students do not need to do anything with this book; we will work on it in class at the beginning of the school year.

### **SUMMER HSPT PREPARATION**

As you know, students entering grade 8 have received a *HSPT Strategies and Practice* book. We hope that families will include this resource as part of their summer enrichment routine. Our aim is that students feel comfortable and prepared when they sit to take the HSPT entrance exam at our partner high schools next fall. We strongly recommend using this resource regularly this summer, however, it is not mandatory.

When using this resource, the following practice tests will be helpful to guide students:

- HSPT Practice Test #1: Verbal Skills (questions on pp. 339-343)
- HSPT Practice Test #1: Quantitative Skills (questions on pp. 344-349)
- HSPT Practice Test #1: Reading (questions on pp. 350-359)
- HSPT Practice Test #1: Math Skills (questions on pp. 360-366)
- HSPT Practice Test #1: Language (questions on pp. 367-372)



## **Fiction Book Report (Students entering Grades 6 - 8)**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Characters: \_\_\_\_\_

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Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

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Using complete and thorough sentences, write a summary of the plot. Be sure to include the main details in chronological order, the conflict, and its resolution. Your response should be 6-8 quality sentences in length:

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Which character did you find most interesting? Explain why and cite at least two good reasons/examples.

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Explain the theme of the novel and how it is represented in the story.

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Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not? Provide two to three reasons to support your answer.

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What is one question you still have about the story or what is one thing you would change about the book?

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