

## St. Mary Middle School Summer Reading 2019

**\*\*There are 4 pages total. Please read through each page of directions.\*\***

Congratulations on completing another fantastic school year, and welcome to summer 2019! In order to keep your minds sharp and your imaginations active over the summer, we're sending you out with a summer reading assignment, which you should read *carefully*, complete *fully*, and turn in *promptly* by August 16, 2019 (the first Friday of school; students may turn projects in as early as August 14).

Each student will be required to turn in a project on the book assigned (Due by August 16).

### Books

#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

*The Westing Game*, Ellen Raskin: Sixteen game players, heirs to Sam Westing's fabulous fortune, are all suspected of his murder. This book is part mystery story, part play-along game, and part do-it-yourself puzzle. AR Level: 5.3

#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:

**Option A:** Pretend you are a reporter for a newspaper. You will include one part that is written as if you were a critic reviewing the book—include your opinion, likes, and dislikes. In the rest, include stories about several of the major scenes and events in the book. This should be a minimum of 5 paragraphs. Your assignment must be neatly written or typed.

**Option B:** Write down 15 interesting/important quotes from your book with page numbers. Explain 5 of them, each explanation should be at least 5 sentences. What makes them interesting/important? How do they tie into the theme of the novel? Your assignment must be neatly written or typed.

### Bonus Opportunity:

Students may choose to read an additional book of their choice. This needs to be a book that has not been read before summer 2019. Also, the book choice needs to be a chapter book and have an appropriate AR level for your student. Students will be required to take an AR test on their chosen book, receive an 80% or higher, and have the slip below signed by the student and parent to receive bonus points. You can check the AR level of a book and see if there is an AR test available at [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com).

I promise that I read this book during the summer of 2019. I know that I must read the book during this summer in order to receive bonus points.

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