

The First Academy

# **7th Grade Summer Reading Assignments**

**Assignment #1:** Required Reading Novel- **Schooled** by Gordon Korman

Part One Complete the attached plot graph for your novel after reading the book.

### Part Two: "Who Am I?" Poem

- After reading your novel, choose a character to complete your project on.
- Next, write a descriptive "Who Am I" poem that paints a clear picture of your character with words.
- Your poem must meet the following requirements:

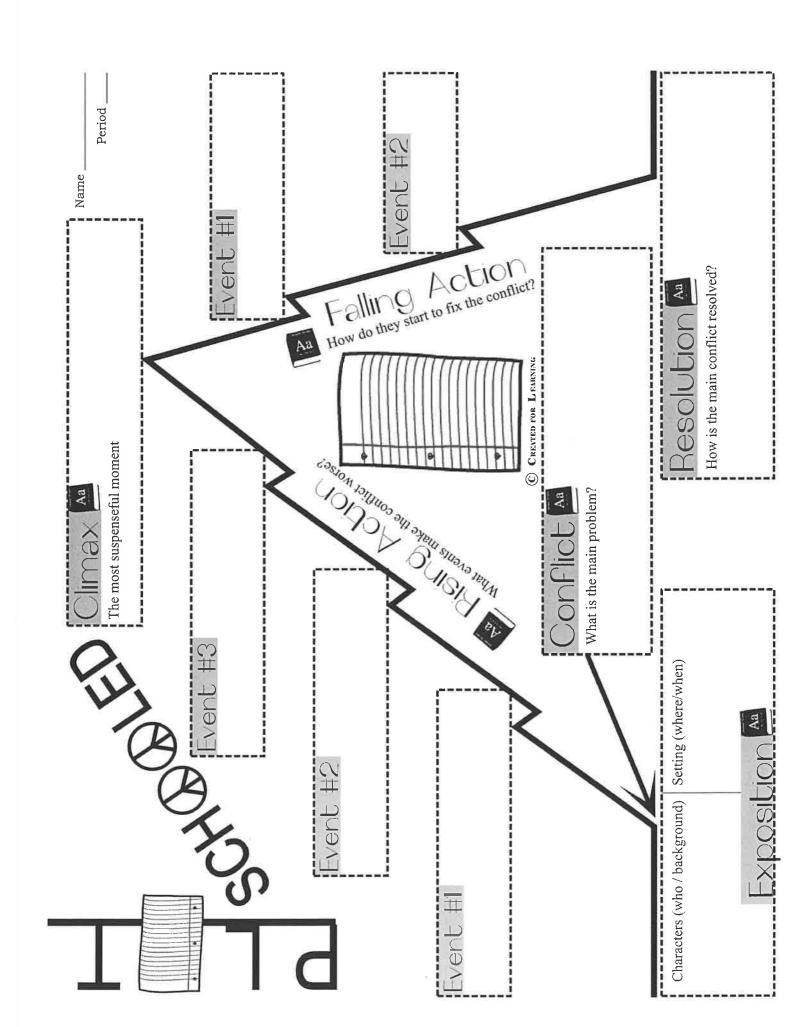
  Before beginning your final copy, check each requirement off on this paper as you edit your rough draft.
  - o The title should read "Who Am I?" and be centered.
  - o The title of the book and the author's name should be centered and written underneath the title. Don't forget to punctuate the title properly (underlined or italicized).
  - o Your poem must include 10 sentences that all begin with I.
  - o In one of your lines, describe how your character does or does not depict Christ-like character.
  - o At least 3 higher vocabulary words (adjectives or nouns) must be included and underlined once. (attached list provided, but you may choose your own).
  - o At least 3 vivid verbs (action words) must be used and <u>underlined</u> <u>twice</u>. (attached list provided, but you may choose your own).
  - At least three creative drawings must be included around or within your poem that connect to ideas within your lines or the book (use color to make things POP!).
  - Your poem should build so that the first few sentences are not so specific that we immediately guess your character. They could apply to multiple characters in the story. Towards the end, they should become more specific until they really only apply to your character. Leave me guessing until the end!!!
  - You should thoroughly edit your rough draft and final draft for errors in spelling and grammar.
  - o Final drafts may be hand-written or typed- but must be neat.
  - Your name and your selected character's name should be written on the back of your final draft.

### DO NOT PUT YOUR CHARACTER'S NAME ON THE FRONT!!!

### Assignment #2: Favorite Book of the Summer Selfie

• See attached paper for assignment details, materials, and examples.

\*\*\*All summer reading assignments are due the first week back to school and count as various grades for the first quarter.



SAMPLE POEM

# "Who Am I?"

Anne Frank: A Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank

I wear a yellow star that identifies me as Jewish to my oppressors.

I see people being treated harshly: beaten, starving, and dying.

I hear the sound of bombs exploding outside my hidden prison.

I am consumed by fear and <u>sorrow</u> to think that people can be so cruel to one another and for the life that I have lost.

I am <u>longing</u> for freedom, just like the people who are trapped here with me in this warehouse in Holland.

I am terrified that we will be discovered and sent to the concentration camps.

I can be moody and selfish, sometimes hiding things from the others in the Annex.

I <u>instigate</u> fights with my husband and others because I feel like there is so little that I have control over.

I am <u>envious</u> of Anne when my son Peter <u>confides</u> in her more than me.

I am a fur coat caught in a whirlwind of HATE!

\*On the back of this sheet, I would explain that my character is Mrs. Van Daan from <u>Anne Frank: A Diary of a Young Girl</u>. Your name should be on the back, as well.

# Vivid Word Choice Handout

Big		Small	
Ample Bulky Colossal Enormous Gigantic Humongous Husky Immense Massive Oversized	Oversized Spacious Staggering Substantial Titanic Towering Tremendous Vast Voluminous	Bite-sized Diminutive Meager Microscopic Miniature Petite Puny Scrubby Skimpy Slight	Stubby Teeny Tiny Undersized

Good		Bad		
Amazing Astonishing Awesome Brilliant Excellent Extraordinary Fabulous Fantastic	Glorious Impressive Magnificent Outstanding Phenomenal Remarkable Sensational Terrific	Atrocious Despicable Disgusting Dreadful Gruesome Hideous Horrendous Nauseating	Obscene Repellent Repulsive Repugnant Terrible Terrifying Vile Wretched	

# **Emotions/ Feeling**

Afraid: alarmed, apprehensive, cowardly, fearful, frightened, intimidated, petrified, startled.

**Angry:** fiery, fuming, furious, irate, outraged, raging, riled.

**Calm:** mellow, peaceful, relaxed, restful, serene, tranquil, undisturbed.

**Excited:** delighted, eager, enthusiastic, hyper, passionate, thrilled.

**Happy:** cheerful, chipper, content, ecstatic, elated, joyful, jubilant, lighthearted, overjoyed, perky, thrilled.

**Nervous:** anxious, concerned, distress, jittery, tense, worried.

**Sad:** crushed, dejected, depressed, devastated, forlorn, gloomy, heartbroken, heavyhearted, low-spirited, melancholy, miserable, somber, sorrowful, troubled.

# **Sensory Words**

# Sound

To hear: Catch, detect, eavesdrop, listed, overhear

A sound: din, note, resonance, tone.

**Pleasant:** harmonic, melodic, rhythmical.

<u>Unpleasant:</u> deafening, ear-piercing, ear-popping, grating, piercing, rowdy, shrill, whiny.

**Loud:** bang, blast, boom, burst, clang, clap, clash, crack, crash, pop, rattle, scream, stomp, thud.

**Scared:** cry, scream, screech, stutter, whimper,

# Sight

A sight: appearance, display, exhibition, hallucination, illusion, image, impression, reflection, scene, view, vision.

**Clear:** apparent, cloudless, distinct, lucid, translucent, transparent, visible.

Light: fluorescent, golden, illuminated, lit, lucent, luminous, moonlit, starry, sunny, well-lit.

<u>Dark:</u> black, lightless, muddy, obscure, pitch-

# Smell

To smell: inhale, scent, sniff, whiff.

A smell: aroma, fragrance, odor,

perfume, scent.

Good smelling:
appealing, delightful, divine, enticing, luscious, mouthwatering, rich, savory, tempting, zestful.

# Bad smelling:

disgusting, fishy, nasty, noxious, repellent, repugnant, repulsive, stinky, unappealing.

# Touch

Hot: baking, blazing, blistering, boiling, burning, feverish, fiery, flaming, lukewarm, scalding, scorching, sizzling.

Cold: arctic, bitter, brisk chilly crisp

brisk, chilly, crisp, freezing, icy, frosty, numbing.

**Smooth:** creamy, glassy, glossy, polished, silky, sleek, waxy.

**Rough:** bumpy, chapped, grainy, gritty, rocky, sandy.

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# **Colors**

Orange	Yellow	Green	Blue
	amber	apple	aqua
•	buff	chartreuse	aquamarine
coral	canary.	emerald	azure
peach	champagne	forest	bice
rust	eggshell	jade	cerulean
tangerine	gold	kelly	cobalt
titian	golden	leaf	indigo
	lemon	lime	midnight
	ocher	olive	navy
	saffron	pine	sapphire
	xanthic	reseda	turquoise
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Brown	White	Black	Other
amber	alabaster	carbon	buff
auburn	ashen	charcoal	checkered
beige	blanched	coal	freckled
bronze	bloodless	dark	hounds-tooth
brunette	chalky	ebony	iridescent
chestnut	cream	jet	opaque
chocolate	fair	obsidian	polka-dotted
cinnamon	frosted	onyx	silver
cocoa	ghostly	· ·	spotted
coffee		raven	striped
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# **Action Verbs**

# **Arrived** Appeared

Entered Landed

### Ate

Consumed Devoured Feasted Gorged Inhaled Munched Nibbled Snacked

# Began

Initiated Instigated Launched Originated

### **Broke**

Busted Cracked Crushed Demolished Smashed Shattered

# Changed

Adapted Altered Converted Evolved Mutated Restyled Transformed

### Cut

Amputated Carved Chopped Clipped Diced Slashed Sliced Snipped Trimmed

### Drank

Gargled Gulped Sipped Slurped Swallowed Swigged Toasted

### Fell

Collapsed Dropped Stumbled Tripped Tumbled

### Gave

Awarded Contributed Donated Gifted Granted Provided Relinquished Supplied

### Got

Acquired Fetched Gained Grabbed Inherited Snatched

### Held

Clasped Clenched Clung Grasped Gripped Squeezed

# Hit

Bashed Knocked Slapped Smacked Wacked

# Laughed

Burst Chuckled Giggled Shrieked Snorted

### Left

Abandoned Departed Deserted Disappeared Ditched Escaped Fled Split Vanished

### Made

Assembled Constructed Created Designed Fashioned Invented Manufactured Produced

# **Planned**

Arranged Brainstormed Engineered Formulated Mapped Organized Outlined Plotted Sketched

# **Pulled**

Dragged Hauled Heaved Tagged Towed Yanked

# Put

Arranged Handed Placed Laid

Said Admitted Agreed Answered Apologized Argued Assured Begged Blubbered Boasted Cautioned Complained Groaned Grumbled Declared Exclaimed Explained Exaggerated Gasped Hissed Hollered **Imitated** 

Insisted

Moaned

Instructed

Intimidated

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Muttered

Ordered

Pleaded

Promised

Rambled

Reported

Revealed

Screamed

Suggested

Shouted

Teased

Warned

Whined

Whispered

Retold

Pronounced

Persuaded

# Took

Saved

Stored

Saw

Gazed

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Eveballed

Abducted Borrowed Captured Clutched Confiscated Grabbed Obtained Pocketed Seized Snagged Snatched Stole

# Turned

Curved Spun Twirled Twisted

# Use

Operate Utilize

## Wanted

Craved Desired Preferred Wished

# Went (quickly)

Blasted Bolted Bounced Chased Darted Dashed Fled Galloped Hurried Hustled Jogged Jolted Leapt Raced Scampered Skipped Sped Sprinted Zapped Zigzagged

# Went (slowly)

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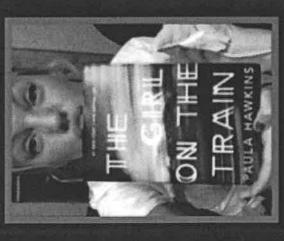
# Book Selfies #TFA Loves to Read

# Directions for Choice Book Selfie Assignment:

- Take a selfie of yourself holding your favorite book that you read this summer
- Print out your picture and glue it onto your assignment sheet
- Explain in 1-2 sentences why it is your favorite so that you may inspire someone else to read it
- Remember to write neatly and make sure to speel all words correctly! Use a dictionary!
- Remember... your book selfie will be posted on the wall, so make sure that your photo and book selection are school and age appropriate
- Be creative with your picture:
  - Dress up like the main character while holding the book
  - Hold an object that is important to the story
  - Have the background match an important setting and location from your book
  - Add special effects or text
- Identify the genre: fantasy, mystery, biography, science fiction, etc.
- List three adjectives on the lines to the left of your picture to describe your book

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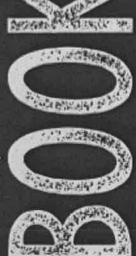
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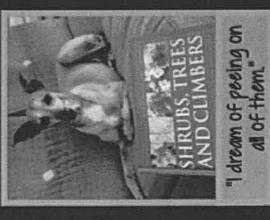


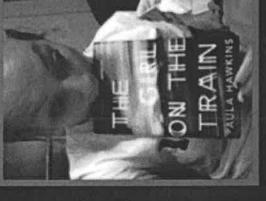






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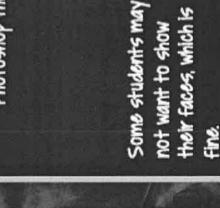




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