

## 2021 Middle School Summer Reading

Two lucky books will be read by you this summer, and they're eager to leap off the shelves into your hands...

### 1. **Hidden Figures Young Readers' Edition** (Margot Lee Shatterly):

The uplifting, amazing true story—a *New York Times* bestseller!

This edition of Margot Lee Shetterly's acclaimed book is perfect for young readers. It's the powerful story of four African-American female mathematicians at NASA who helped achieve some of the greatest moments in our space program.

### 2. **Free Choice**: With students' varied interests in mind, the second required book will be customized. Do you gravitate towards nonfiction, graphic novels, autobiographies, science fiction? Choose a novel that piques *your* interest!

Criteria:

- 1) The subject matter must be age-appropriate.
- 2) Choose a book at your reading level.
- 3) The title must be approved by a parent.
- 4) If you need help with ideas, check out this website:  
<https://www.nypl.org/books-music-movies>

## GRADES 6, 7 AND 8 SUMMER READING NOTES

**INSTRUCTIONS:** After reading each book, complete the outline below. These notes will help direct and organize your thoughts about your reading. (You may type or handwrite these notes.)

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

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

**Setting** (where *AND* when does the story take place?) \_\_\_\_\_

**Plot Summary:** (one or two sentences)

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**Main conflict:** (one sentence)

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**Main Characters:** Describe two characters (or people/ideas for non-fiction books). Then give examples to support each description.

*Example: Pat Jones is generous. He is generous because he gives away his things to poor people in the story. In addition, Pat is generous because he is willing to use his free time to volunteer at a shelter.*

**Character (Person/Idea) #1:**

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**Character (Person/Idea) #2**

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**Theme:** What lesson is the author trying to teach you?

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List the details from the book that help “teach” the lesson:

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