

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Summer Reading Project on Google Classroom. The mandatory book for every student entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall is The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Brudaker Bradley. Please have your child join my google classroom using this code **rjhljpl**. Your child needs to join the google classroom by June 30, 2020. On this date I will accept all students and reach out to any student by email if he/she has not joined.

After your student has joined my google classroom and I have accepted the invitation, the project will be posted on the 5<sup>th</sup> GRADE SUMMER READING PROJECT CLASSROOM 2020. When your child opens the assignment on google classroom, he/she will be assigned through google classroom his/her own copy of the project. This project will be graded on completion of all questions. All work must be typed directly onto the google slide on the lines provided. Be sure your child reads all directions carefully; I was very specific on the details of the number of sentences needed for each answer. Once the project is complete and checked over, your child will submit to me through google classroom.

This format focuses the goals of reading on critical comprehension skills in a no-fluff format that is engaging but does not overwhelm learners with paperwork and worksheets. Each day's lesson targets one comprehension skill, rather than a handful to allow for a deeper, more meaningful learning to take place. Students are asked to combine their own thoughts and opinions with the text to make connections and analyze the story in ways that boost their thinking skills beyond just the basics of the story. I encourage students to read and complete one section at a time for a deeper understanding of the material. I also encourage any parent to read along with his/her child. This is a wonderful story for all ages and can drum up some insightful, historical, and encouraging conversations with your child.

The skills your child will see and develop throughout this project will be the following:

\*Story Elements, Point of View, Write to Explain, Summarize, Analyze setting, Support an opinion

\*Character Traits, Cause and Effect, Draw Conclusions, Compare and Contrast, Sequence

\*Character Relations, Predictions, Theme, Infer

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email at [efurlong@hssfalcon.org](mailto:efurlong@hssfalcon.org). I will check my email several times a week Monday through Friday during the summer months. Please allow 48 hours for a response. Thank you so much for your attention to this project. Again the code is =**rjhljpl**.

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