



GATE Summer Reading For Rising 6th Grade GATE Students - Summer 2019

Reading is an essential skill for all academic work and the more students read the better readers they become! Wide recreational reading can extend vocabulary, increase comprehension, and stimulate higher order thinking.

Every rising 6th grade GATE English/Language Arts student is required to read *The False Prince* by Jennifer A. Nielsen. This novel is aligned with the concepts and themes addressed throughout the year in GATE ELA; therefore, students will have multiple opportunities to showcase and connect their new learning with their already present knowledge. *The False Prince* can be checked out from the local library, purchased in bookstores or purchased on-line.

Required Novel:

The False Prince by Jennifer A. Nielsen (acceptable formats include print, eBook, and audio book)

Suggested Additional Readings

Please read for enjoyment from any of the Newbery Award or Honor books, SC Book Award books, or Classics that are at or above sixth grade reading level. Historical fiction and nonfiction from ancient cultures through 1600 are also recommended. Libraries and bookstores have lists of these books and reading levels.

**Note: Please preview books that your child chooses to read. Books that are studied during the school year have been read and reviewed by a team of teachers. All of the Newbery Award or Honor books, however, may not have been previewed.

Please detach and return to the GATE teacher by Friday, May 10th.

6th GATE - Summer Reading Assignment
Parent Acknowledgement

I have received and understand the 2018 summer reading assignment for my child and understand that it's a required assignment and the content will be a part of classroom instruction when students return in the fall.

Student Name _____

Current Elementary School _____ 2019-2020 Middle School _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

The students will be required to complete one of the following 5 choices after reading the novel. Please review these options before reading. Your child may want to take notes while reading to help him or her organize ideas. This final project will be due several weeks after school begins in August. In addition, students will have an assessment on *The False Prince*.

You can find a copy of this letter and the grading rubric for the scrapbook on both your middle school and Dorchester School District Two websites.

Option	Requirements
Journal It! Pretend you are Sage, the main character. Write a journal from his point of view.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include 5 entries • Each entry should be a well-written paragraph (at least 5-8 sentences in length).
Comic Creator! Create a miniature graphic novel for <i>The False Prince</i> .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include 5 important scenes that summarize the novel • Each page should include illustrations, dialogue, and a two-sentence (minimum) caption explaining the scene • This may be hand-drawn or digitally-created
Video Director! Create a movie trailer for this novel.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write the script. • Film the trailer • Save your movie in an electronic format that you can bring to school. (e.g. flash drive or Movie Maker.) • Add music to your trailer. • Your film needs to be 3-5 minutes in length.
Scribe to the King! Write a letter to King Jaron in your role as the king's advisor. Choose a person or issue to advise him about and support your advice with reasons from the text.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compose a 5 paragraph letter. • Include an introduction of the issue or person. • Include at least three reasons to support your argument/claim. • Include a conclusion paragraph. • Typing is suggested. You may use a letter template from Microsoft Word.
Be the Teacher! Create a final test for this novel.	Complete ALL of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matching- include 5 words you were unfamiliar with in the novel and their definitions. • True/False- include 5 sentences that are either true or false. • Multiple Choice- include 5 questions with three answer choices each. • Create a discussion question that will be answered in one paragraph. • Create a key for your test with answers to ALL of the above questions.