Sixth Grade Summer Reading

Welcome to Middle School! **You will be required to read 3 books over the summer.**
- Two of these books are free choice.
- One book is to be non-fiction.

Here are some helpful lists for great summer reads. You should look for a book that suites your interests and is grade and school appropriate. See the [St. Thomas Summer Reading Web Page](#) for book suggestions and lists.

**After reading, you will complete 2 summer reading assignments.**

1st Required Assignment for grade 6:
Critics Corner: Book Review Form for one of your book choices. See attached form.

2nd Required Assignment for grade 6:
Mint Tin Book Report – see step by step directions below

Please bring a copy of the books with you the first day of school.

**Due the first day of school will be:**
- 1 Critics Corner completed (For 1st book choice)
- 1 of the above activities completed (For 2nd book choice)
- Ready to discuss your 3rd book choice
Critic’s Corner: Book Review Form

Student’s Name: _____________________________________________________________
Title and Author of Book: ______________________________________________________

In 7-10 sentences, discuss one of the following:
1. **Main character** (for fiction) or **subject** (for non-fiction): Did you like him/her/it? Explain why or why not.
2. **Setting**: Describe a time or place in the book that made a strong impact on you. Be sure to explain what that impact was.
3. **Plot**: Select an important event from the book and explain why it is important.
4. **Lesson**: Explain what you learned from reading this book.

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How do you rate this book? Excellent ___ Very interesting ___ Interesting ___ Uninteresting _

In a few sentences, explain why you rated this book as you did. Be specific in stating your reasons.
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Signature of student: _____________________________________________________________
## Mint Tin Book Report

For this project, you will need one of these common mint tins (about 3.5 by 2.25 inches)

Using the background template, draw a background from an important scene in the book and glue into the interior of the lid. I used John Tenniel's illustrations for *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*.

The next step is adding your foreground, which will "pop out" from the background. If possible, I recommend using card stock for this part; it holds up better and creates a cleaner pop-up effect. Once again, I used the talents of Tenniel.

To give the foreground the pop-out effect, I glued pieces of crafting foam onto the back of it.

The foam pieces of the foreground can then be glued on to the background. This creates a cool 3D effect!
Then complete the "cover" of your tin. I used white label paper for the cover below, but double stick tape would also work well.

Then you will complete the insert. Please be detailed and write in complete sentences.

The two pieces of the insert are then attached using glue and folded like an accordion.

Place the insert inside of the mint tin.

Print cover template here: