

2017 - 2018

6th Grade Reading and English Summer Assignment

It's important to keep your brain working over the summer! I suggest you start working on this assignment early so you have plenty of time to finish. I also encourage you to review your work so you are prepared for class discussions and activities.

Please read the following book and complete the Four Steps.

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH by Robert C. O'Brien



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Step One – Before you read

Define the following words on flashcards. On one side of each card should be the word and on the other side should be the part of speech (noun, adjective, adverb) and the definition.

Authoritative	Hulking	Upholster
Vantage	Tinker	Wisp
Relentless	Hostile	Nimble
Wary	Colander	Relentless
Scarce	Bewilderment	Hypochondriac
Essence	Cursory	Sward (No, I don't mean Sword!)
Tedious	Plaintive	Laborious
Discern	Lament	Hostile
Epidemic	Neurologist	Lee
Consternation	Bramble	Scaffolding

Step Two – As you read

Keep a list of characters in your Reading Notebook. You should write the name of each character and the relationship each character has to Mrs. Frisby.

Step Three – After you read

Answer the following question in one well written paragraph of at least seven sentences in your English notebook in pencil. The answers should be written **in cursive**. Please use one of the adjectives from the word list in your paragraph.

The plan was going to enable the rats to live without stealing, but their lifestyle would be different. (No electricity, growing their own food, etc.) If you were a rat, would you take Nicodemous's side or Jenner's side?

Step Four– After you read

Prepare all your material for the first day of class.

