

**Wilmington Christian School**  
**Middle School Summer Reading Entering Grade 6**  
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English Summer Reading and Assignments

- *Hatchet* by Gary Paulson  
**A journal of lessons is required for *Hatchet*. The directions for journaling are listed on page 2 of this document. The journal will count as one test grade.**
  
- One additional book (see list of additional suggestions)  
**A parent signature is required verifying the completion of the book. This will count as one homework grade.**

Bible Summer Reading

- *Book of Proverbs, Holy Bible*  
**A parent signature is required verifying the completion of this reading.**

**English Summer Reading Verification Form**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

My child has read \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
for the English Summer Reading requirement.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This form is to be filled in and returned to your child's English teacher on the first day of school.

**Bible Summer Reading Verification Form**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

My child has read the Bible Summer Reading Requirement.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This form is to be filled in and returned to your child's Bible teacher on the first day of school.

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***Hatchet* Activity**

Directions

1. Read *Hatchet* by Gary Paulson
2. Construct a journal of lessons that Brian learns from the animals he connects with throughout the book. You should create a page for each animal that teaches him a lesson.
  - a. Illustrate the top half of each page with a picture that shows the lesson he learned, Brian interacting with that animal, etc (make sure to put nice effort into your work ☺ Not everyone is an artist, but you can do your best!)
  - b. Explain the lessons Brian learned from each animal at the bottom of every page. Your lesson summaries should be 3 to 4 sentences long.
  - c. You should have 6 total pages for your journal of lessons:
    - i. Page 1 – Cover (include book title, author, and your name). You can illustrate the cover if you would like, but it is not mandatory.
    - ii. Page 2 – Lessons from the bear
    - iii. Page 3 – Lessons from the porcupine and the skunk
    - iv. Page 4 – Lessons from the mother bear and her cubs
    - v. Page 5 – Lessons from the wolves
    - vi. Page 6 – Lessons from the moose
3. Helpful Hints
  - a. Use construction paper or plain computer paper (not notebook paper)
  - b. Draw lines with a ruler at the bottom of each page for writing neatly or you can type the lesson summaries at the bottom of each page and then draw your illustrations after you print.
  - c. Use color pencils or crayons when coloring your pictures (markers tend to bleed and make it harder to be neat)
4. Happy Reading and Enjoy! ☺

List of Additional Selections:

{**Bold-print** authors can be found in Christian bookstores}

**Easier Reading**

Aiken, J.	Wolves of Wiloughby Chase
Anderson, L.	Fever 1793
Avi	Poppy
	Captain Grey
	A Place Called Ugly
Babbitt, N.	Tuck Everlasting
Bauer, M.	On My Honor
Brink, C.	Caddie Woodlawn
Butterworth, O.	The Enormous Egg
Byars, R.	The Summer of the Swans
Carlson, N.	The Family Under the Bridge
Cleaver, V.	Where the Lillies Bloom
Farley, W.	Black Stallion
Fast, H.	April Morning
Fleishman, S.	The Whipping Boy
Fritz, J.	The Cabin Faced West
George, J.	My Side of the Mountain
Giff, P.	Lily's Crossing
Hesse, K.	Out of the Dust
	Letters from Rifka
Konisburg, E.	From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler
Krumgold, J.	Onion John
Langton, J.	The Fledgling
Latham, J.	Carry on Mr. Bowditch
Lewis, C.S.	Narnia Chronicles
Lowry, L.	Number the Stars
Montgomery, R.	Kildee House
Naylor, P.	Shiloh
Norton, P.	The Borrowers
O'Brien, R.	Mrs. Frisby & the Rats of Nimh
O'Dell, S.	Island of the Blue Dolphin
	Sarah Bishop
Patterson, K.	Bridge to Terebithia
Rawls, W.	Where the Red Fern Grows
Richter, C.	The Light in the Forest
Silverstein, S.	Light in the Attic
Speare, E.	The Witch of Blackbird Pond
White, E.B.	The Trumpet of the Swan
White, R.	Belle Prater's Boy
Woodruff, E.	The Orphan of Ellis Island

## Other Reading

Adams, R.  
Adamson, J.  
**Alcorn, R.**  
Alcott, L.  
Ambrose, S.  
Armstrong, W.  
Asimov, I.  
Auch, M.

Birdsall, J.  
Bryant, A.

Burnett, F.  
Burnford, S.  
Collier, J.  
Cushman, K.  
DiCamillo, K.  
**Dowdy, H.**  
Doyle, A.  
Dygaard  
**Elliott, E.**  
**Fischer, M.**  
Flanagan, J.  
Forbes, E.  
Fritz, J.  
Gaines, E.  
Gantos, J.  
Gilbreth, F.  
Haddix, M.  
Hafer, T.  
Hale, S.  
Hamilton, B.  
Hautzig, E.  
Hesse, K.  
Hobbs, W.  
Hunt, I.  
Jacques, B.  
Keith, H.  
Kelly, E.  
Kherdian, D.  
Kipling, R.  
Kjelgaard, J.  
**Lahaye, T.**  
**Lawhead, S.**  
Lenski, L.  
Levitin, S.

L'Engle, M.

London, J.  
Lupica, M.

Watership Down  
Born Free  
Deadline  
Little Woman  
Undaunted Courage  
Sounder  
Fantastic Voyage  
Ashes of Roses  
Journey to Nowhere  
Frozen Summer  
The Penderwicks  
Beacon Street Girls #1 book named  
Worst Enemies, Best Friends  
The Secret Garden  
The Incredible Journey  
My Brother Sam is Dead  
Catherine Called Birdy  
The Tale of Despereaux  
Out of the Jaws of the Lion  
Sherlock Holmes  
Wilderness Peril  
Through Gates of Splendor  
Time of Storm  
The Ranger's Apprentice  
Johnny Tremain  
Homesick: My Own Story  
The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman  
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key  
Cheaper by the Dozen  
Turnabout  
Spirit of the Game (any novel)  
The Goose Girl  
Soul Surfer  
The Endless Steppe  
Letters from Rifka  
Jason's Gold  
Up the Road Slowly  
Redwall series  
Rifles for Watie  
The Trumpeter of Krakow  
The Road from Home  
Jungle Book  
Big Red  
LEFT BEHIND series  
MERLIN series  
Indian Captive  
Journey to America

Troubling A Star  
Many Waters  
White Fang  
Travel Team

**Marshall, C.**

Marshall, C.  
Matthews, L.S.  
Mattas, C.  
McCaffrey, A.  
McKinley  
Meigs, C.  
Montgomery, R.  
Morey, W.  
Nixon, J.

North, S.  
O'Dell, S.  
Oppel, K.

Patterson, K.  
Paulson, G.

**Peretti, F.**

Rinaldi, A.  
Riordan, R.  
Ritter, J.  
Roth, D.  
Rylant, C.  
Scott, C.  
Sewell, A.  
Siegal, A.  
Sperry, A.  
Spinelli, J.  
Sonnenblick, J.  
Steinbeck, J.  
Taylor, M.  
Taylor, T.

**Ten Boom, C.**

Twain, M.  
Ullman, J.  
Urdale, E.  
VandeVilde, V.  
Verne, J.  
Vining, E.  
Voigt, C.  
Washington, B.  
**White, J.**  
Winerip, M.  
Wojciechowska, M.  
Wyss, J.  
Yates, E.  
Yep, L.

Zindel, P.

The Light and The Glory  
Christy  
Fish  
Code Name Kris  
Dragonsong  
The Hero and the Crown  
Invincible Louisa  
Anne of Green Gables  
Gentle Ben  
Land of Hope  
Search for the Shadowman  
Rascal  
Streams to the River, River to the Sea  
Airborn  
Skybreaker (sequel to Airborn)  
The Preacher's Boy  
Tracker  
This Present Darkness  
A Stitch in Time  
The Lightning Thief  
The Boy Who Saved Baseball  
Colin Powell  
Missing May  
Slave Ship Captain  
Black Beauty  
Upon the Head of a Goat  
Call It Courage  
Maniac Magee  
Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie  
The Red Pony  
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry  
The Cay  
In My Father's House  
The Hiding Place  
The Prince and the Pauper  
Banner in the Sky  
Montmorency: Thief, Liar, Gentleman?  
Heir Apparent  
Around the World in Eighty Days  
Adam of the Road  
Dicey's Song  
Up From Slavery  
The Tower of Geburah  
Adam Canfield of The Slash  
Shadow of the Bull  
The Swiss Family Robinson  
Amos Fortune, Free Man  
Child of the Owl  
Dragon's Gate  
A Begonia for Miss Applebaum