



**SCBCS 2023 Summer Reading & Writing: Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

\*\*Families are responsible for acquiring their own books through bookstores, Amazon, Kindle, etc.\*\*

1. Read *The Egypt Game*, by Zilpha Keatley Snyder.
2. Read any novel of choice.

**Suggested Novels:**

*The Fire Bug Connection* by: Jean Craighead George  
*Taking Sides* by: Gary Soto  
*Bubble* by Stewart Foster  
*Red Kayak* by Priscilla Cummings  
*A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle  
*The 100-Year-Old Secret* by Tracy Barrett  
*The Miraculous Journeys of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo  
*The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo  
*The Devil's Arithmetic* by Jane Yolen  
*Beethoven in Paradise* by Barbara O'Connor  
*Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson  
*The Firefly Letters* by Margarita Engle  
*Dragonwings* by Laurence Yep  
*Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park  
*Ninth Ward* by Jewel Parker Rhodes  
*New Kid* by Jerry Craft  
*Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper  
*The Jungle Book* by Rudyard Kipling  
*Letters From Rifka* by Karen Hesse  
*Shannon Lucid: Space Ambassador* by Carmen Bredeson  
*Teammates* by Peter Golenback  
*Someone is Hiding on Alcatraz Island* by Eve Bunting  
*A Week in the Woods* by Andrew Clements

*\*Note: These books are just suggestions; you do not have to read them all.*

**FOR EACH BOOK YOU READ...**

- Take notes as you read. This can be done on sticky notes, a piece of notebook paper, “bookmark,” journaling, etc. Be sure to write at least one thing for each chapter as a reference tool. For example: “The most important thing to remember from this chapter was...” You can also record words you are unfamiliar with (with page numbers) or your own thoughts, predictions, inferences, info about characters, etc.
- You may be asked to complete a project, take the AR test, etc., in August, so the more notes you take, the better off you will be.