



Leestown Middle Summer Reading

8th Grade Pre-Engineering

In 8th Grade Language Arts, many of our units involve everyday heroes. For your summer reading selection, choose ONE fiction or non-fiction book to read that includes a character or biography that features an EVERYDAY HERO.

Everyday heroes are everywhere. There are ordinary people who do extraordinary things. Countless books fall into this category. Talk with your Language Arts teacher or librarian for suggestions.

All work is due the FIRST day of school.

Answer questions 1-3 and then complete the assignments below. Ensure that you respond fully to each part of each question.

1. Why did you pick your book? Did it meet your expectations?
2. How long did it take you to read it? Did you find it easy to read or was it challenging for you?
3. How do you feel about reading? What are your favorite and least favorite types of things to read?
 - a. Choose **THREE** words, lines, or paragraphs that represent important moments in your book. Be sure to list chapters and page numbers as references. Draw or use pictures from the Internet or magazines to illustrate the moments the excerpts represent. Then, explain why **EACH** was significant to the central idea of the book.
 - b. Make a presentation about your book. What is the central idea? Why is the person important enough to have a whole book written about him or her? What did it teach you about history? About life? Use at least **5 slides** and **5 images** that you think represent important ideas from your book. The pictures should be representations, not exact images from your book or novel. You may put the text in the notes section of the presentation.

Additional requirement for Pre-Engineering students:

To help you prepare for National History Day project for next year, select and read a biography of your choice that would fit the NHD theme “Triumph and Tragedy.” An assignment will be provided over this book at the beginning of the year. Please be prepared to begin this assignment the first week of school.