

Hasbrouck Heights Middle School

Grade 7 Summer Reading 2019

6th into 7th Students will choose ONE (1) of the novels to read and complete the assigned activity. However, feel free to read all of them even if you have already read them!!!!These are excellent novels!

Enjoy the Rick Riordan and Percy Jackson Summer Reading Experience!!!!

IMPORTANT: All students will be required to secure their own copy of the selected novel for summer reading; copies will not be available through the school district.

The Lightning Thief



Twelve-year-old Percy Jackson is on the most dangerous quest of his life. With the help of a satyr and a daughter of Athena, Percy must journey across the United States to catch a thief who has stolen the original weapon of mass destruction — Zeus' master bolt. Along the way, he must face a host of mythological enemies determined to stop him. Most of all, he must come to terms with a father he has never known, and an Oracle that has warned him of betrayal by a friend.

The Sea of Monsters



After a summer spent trying to prevent a catastrophic war among the Greek gods, Percy Jackson finds his seventh-grade school year unnervingly quiet. His biggest problem is dealing with his new friend, Tyson—a six-foot-three, mentally challenged homeless kid who follows Percy everywhere, making it hard for Percy to have any "normal" friends.

The Titan's Curse



A new prophecy leads to a dangerous quest.

When Percy receives an urgent distress call from Grover, he immediately prepares for battle. He knows he'll need his powerful demigod allies, Annabeth and Thalia, at his side; his trusty bronze sword, Riptide; and a ride from his mom. The demigods race to the rescue, only to find that Grover has made an important discovery: two new powerful half-bloods, whose parentage is unknown. But that's not all that awaits them. The Titan lord, Kronos, has set up his most devious trap yet, and the young heroes have just fallen prey. Now, Percy and his friends are faced with their most dangerous challenge—the chilling prophecy of the Titan's Curse. They must rescue the goddess Artemis by the Winter Solstice, or all will be lost including Annabeth.

Assignment:

Students will design three (3) discussion questions that will be used for classroom discussion, writing activities and presentations that will connect students to the novel they have read.

The discussion questions should ask the students to:

- Critically think about and analyze the themes of the novel.
- Critically think about and analyze the importance of the actions of main characters in the novel.
- Critically think about and analyze how they connect to the themes and characters.

(Links to websites that will help students formulate these questions are included.)

Requirements:

- The questions can be neatly handwritten on loose leaf paper, index cards or can be word processed and printed out **OR** the assignment can be submitted through the Google Classroom page for 7th grade Summer Reading.
- Students should include their name and the title of the novel that was read along with their questions.
- The discussion questions will be due upon return to school in September.

Discussion Question Links: These websites will offer samples and models of the types of discussion questions that you can design.

<http://minds-in-bloom.com/20-literature-response-questions-for/>

<http://www.bookbundlz.com/BBArticle.aspx?articleId=25>

<https://www.paideia.org/socratic-questioning/>