

A vibrant, cartoon-style illustration for a summer reading program. On the right, a large, smiling sun with a face wears blue sunglasses that reflect a tropical beach scene with palm trees and a blue sky. The sun is holding an open blue book. In the background, there are palm trees, a smaller sun, and floating orange circles. The word 'Summer' is written in a red, cursive font, and 'READING' is written in large, blue, block letters with a white outline at the bottom.

**Summer Reading 2019**

**Incoming Grade 8**

**READING**

# Introduction



The summer reading theme for students entering eighth grade is leadership. Some people seem to be born leaders, but the rest of us can develop into leaders, and that is one of the goals your teachers this year have for you. Since you're now the oldest students in the school, eighth grade is the perfect opportunity to either improve your leadership skills or to develop some leadership skills. The first part of your mission is to read a book that has something to do with leadership. We've made some book suggestions, but if you'd rather read something else, that's fine as long as the book you choose has something to say about leadership. The second part of your mission is to answer the TWO essential questions and the prompts that are written below and address ONE of the three essential tasks. Hopefully, you are going to type your answers. If you do this as a google doc, you can share it with me. If your penmanship is neat and will be easy for your teacher to read, you may write your answers by hand in either pen or pencil. If you do this assignment by hand, you can just bring it with you to school. The final part of your mission is to be ready to participate in a discussion about leadership and the book you read.

# Reading Options- You only need to choose 1

**Option 1** Pick any grade appropriate book with a **theme of leadership**.

**Option 2** [News ELA Summer Reading Club](#)- You can also choose to join one of the News ELA reading clubs and complete the Leadership assignments for one of the articles read. All assignments for the club must be completed as well. ( On New ELA site- Upper left blue button) You must join the Grade 8 ELA class using code:

**TTRJXZ** to get credit for the reading club assignments.

**Option 3** Choose from these titles [Possible Titles List](#)



# Writing Assignment

[Click Here for the Google Drive Template](#) for questions below. Make a copy so that you can edit the document. You will be given directions on how to submit the document electronically upon return to school.





Have a  
safe &  
happy  
summer!