

**OUR LADY OF VICTORY SCHOOL  
SUMMER READING PROGRAM-- 2008**

The following books are required reading during the summer.

Incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Johnny Tremain, by Esther Forbes

Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade: Hatchet, by Gary Paulsen

Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade: Esperanza Rising, by Pam Munoz Ryan

Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade: Red Badge of Courage, by Stephen Crane

Using complete sentences, students should type (double spaced, size 12 font) the answers to the discussion questions provided. This assignment should be submitted by the end of the first full week of classes, August 29, 2008. There will also be a short quiz, given at some point during the early part of the year.

Your child must also read two others books of his/her choice. Please list the books and authors below. Note: Parents should decide whether or not the reading level and content are appropriate.

Book #1      Title: \_\_\_\_\_

                  Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Book #2      Title: \_\_\_\_\_

                  Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name      \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature      \_\_\_\_\_

Date      \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Type your answers in complete sentences. Attach this sheet to your answers.

Chapters 1-5

1. Why was Ben flying without his mother?
2. What happened after Brian yelled, "I'm hungry!"?
3. How did Brian turn the plane towards the lake?
4. What event upset Brian so much?
5. Why does Brian think he might be several hundred miles off the flight plan's course?

Chapters 6-9

6. How did Brian get shelter?
7. How did Brian know the berries were raspberries?
8. What do fires need to burn besides fuel?
9. Was Brian's shelter secure?
10. How did Brian get the sparks to ignite and stay lit?

Chapters 10-13

11. What did Brian hear when he was in the woods?
12. Why couldn't Brian catch a fish at first?
13. What did the turtle leave behind?
14. What reminded Brian of the fish in the lake when he was looking for food?
15. Why did Brian get a funny feeling as he fished?

Chapters 14-17

16. How did Brian solve his food storage problem?
17. What did Brian remember about the plane when he saw it?
18. How did Brian solve his raft problem?
19. Why did the moose attack Brian?
20. Why didn't Brian want to go in through the cockpit?

Chapter 18-epilogue

21. Why did Brian get angry at himself?
22. Why hadn't Brian opened the survival kit when he got back from the plane?
23. What continued to be very important to Brian?
24. Why didn't Brian react to the plane or the pilot?
25. What attention was paid to Brian?