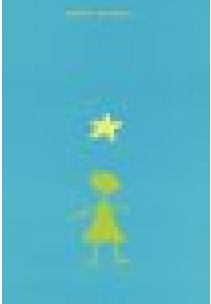


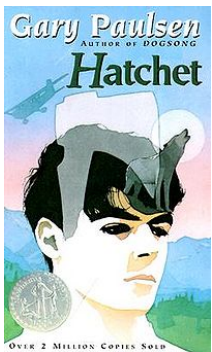
6th Grade Summer Reading Book List
Ooltewah Middle School
2010-2011

Please choose ONE of the following books and read prior to the beginning of the school year. Also, please complete the attached form and be ready to discuss this novel with your Book Club Teacher.



Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli

From the day she arrives at quiet Mica High in a burst of color and sound, the hallways hum with the murmur of “Stargirl, Stargirl.” She captures Leo Borlock’s heart with just one smile. She sparks a school-spirit revolution with just one cheer, and the students of Mica High are enchanted. At first. Then they turn on her. Stargirl is suddenly shunned for everything that makes her different, and Leo, panicked and desperate with love, urges her to become the very thing that can destroy her: normal. In this celebration of nonconformity, Newberry Medalist Jerry Spinelli weaves an emotional tale about the perils of popularity- and the thrill and inspiration of first love.



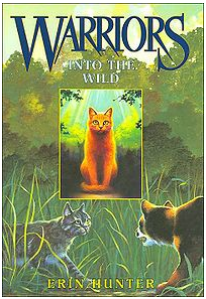
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

Sitting next to the pilot in a single-engine plane headed for the Canadian wilderness, where he will visit his father for the first time since his parents’ divorce, thirteen-year-old Brian Robeson is haunted by thoughts of that divorce and his knowledge of the Secret that caused it. When the plane crashes, Brian is the sole survivor. Left with only the clothes on his back and a hatchet his mother gave him as a parting gift, Brian must face the devastating truth: “Right now I’m all I’ve got. I have to do something.” He must learn to survive.
Newberry Honor Book



The View From Saturday by E.L. Konigsburg

Their path to the state finals started with the sixth-grade championship. Mrs. Olinski had expected victory, for her team was quick and informed and worked together perfectly. No one had expected them to trounce the other two sixth grades, but they did. Their victory was so profound that the sixth-grade math teacher, Mrs. Sharkey, confided to the music teacher, Ms. Masolino, that for the first time in the history of Epiphany Middle School there was a chance- just a possibility, mind you- that a sixth-grade team might beat the seventh grade.



Warriors: Into the Wild by Erin Hunter

Fire alone can save our clan... For generations, four Clans on wild cats have shared the forest according to the laws laid down by their warrior ancestors. But the ThunderClan cats are in grave danger, and the sinister ShadowClan grows stronger every day. Noble warriors are dying- and some deaths are more mysterious than others. In the midst of this turmoil appears an ordinary house cat named Rusty. . . who may turn out to be the bravest warrior of them all.



The Watsons Go To Birmingham- 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis

Enter the hilarious world of ten-year-old Kenny and his family, the Weird Watsons of Flint, Michigan. There's Momma, Dad, little sister Joetta, and brother Byron, who's thirteen and an "official juvenile delinquent." When Momma and Dad decide it's time for a visit to Grandma, Dad comes home with the amazing Ultra-Glide, and the Watsons set out on a trip like no other. They're heading South. They're going to Birmingham, Alabama, toward one of the darkest moments in America's history.

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Please complete the following form after you have read your book from Ooltewah Middle School's Summer Book List.

Answer all questions with a complete sentence, and please do your best work. Bring this with you to school on the first day to be collected by your Language Arts teacher. ☺

Your Name: _____

Book Title: _____ Author: _____

1. In one 4-6 sentence paragraph, please summarize the **plot** (the main parts of what happened) of your book.

2. What was the main **conflict** or problem in this book?

3. Please write a **diary entry** for one day in the life of the main character in your book.
