

Course Syllabus

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Class: Reading 6

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Course Description

This course will give students the opportunity to read every day. Students should increase reading fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, and grow to love good stories.

Materials Needed (should be brought to class each day)

- pen or pencil
- a self-selected novel
- reading folder
- planner

Academic and Behavioral Expectations

The class period is approximately 45 minutes. There will be several guided and independent activities in that time. It is expected that the student work within Wahoo Middle School's academic and behavioral guidelines. (see below) All homework assigned will be due at the beginning of class unless otherwise noted. Long-term projects will be announced in advance and are to be completed by the date assigned.

Wahoo Middle School Academic and Behavioral Guidelines

- *Be on time and prepared for learning*
- *Complete assigned tasks on time*
- *Strive for academic success*
- *Use work time productively*
- *Respect people and property*
- *Respond appropriately to staff directives*

Grading

The Reading grade is divided into two categories: Novels (50%) and Reading Journal Activities (50%). Assignments will be graded on a 10-point scale.

Additional Information

If a student misses class, the responsibility of getting the notes, activity sheets, and assignments is the student's. Extra copies of assignments can be found on the front counter. The student can ask questions or seek additional help outside of class before school, during study hall, and after school. In addition, the student can call the teacher at home in the evening if needed.

Calendar of assignments (subject to change)

There will be...

- Four (or five) class novels read:
 1. *A Dog Called Kitty* by Bill Wallace
 2. *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls
 3. *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
 4. *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry
 5. *Travel Far, Pay No Fare* by Anne Lindbergh
- Vocabulary activities
- Journal entries and literary letters
- Comprehension and fluency activities
- Various projects based on class novels