# COVENANT CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES ACADEMY REQUIRED SUMMER READING

Listed below are the reading requirements for all students entering 6th - 8th grades. Reporting instructions for each of the required books are on the reverse side of this listing. Have a great summer and get a head start on your reading. Pacing yourself will allow ample time for completion of the required books.

Required reading:

### 6th grade

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Mark Twain Let the Circle Be Unbroken, Mildred Taylor

Read 3 additional books of your choice from the reading lists and complete cards on them, as well.

## 7th grade

Steal Away, Jennifer Armstrong Treasure Island, Robert Louis Stevenson

Read 3 additional books of your choice from the reading lists and complete cards on them, as well.

#### 8th grade

To Kill a Mockingbird, Harper Lee Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl, Anne Frank

#### Assignment:

Write a well-defined, four-paragraph (minimum) essay: an introduction, body paragraphs, and a conclusion upon returning to school. Quotes will be expected to be incorporated to support your statements. This will be assigned during the first week of school.

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Reporting instructions for middle school students (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade only):

Write note cards on all required books. Any additional books will be credited towards prizes for summer reading. Follow the reporting instructions carefully:

- \* Create one note card for each book that you read.
- \* Use 5 x 8 cards (3 x 5 cards are too small and will not be accepted.)
- \* Write neatly in blue or black ink. You may also opt to type your cards.

### On the front of each card include:

- \* Title (underlined or italicized if typed) and author
- \* Your name and the date that you finished the book
- \* Setting (time and place of action
- \* Names of major characters
- \* Theme
- Category (fiction or nonfiction)
- \* Author's point of view

## On the back of the card include:

- \* Author's attitude toward the characters
- \* Write a memorable line or sentence, and chapter or page where this can be found.
- \* State your reason for choosing this line.
- \* Explain what you like most about the book.
- \* Explain what you like least about the book.
- \* State your opinion of the book: Would you recommend it to your friends? Is the subject interesting?
  - Would you want to read other books by the same author?
  - Explain your opinion. Do not just answer yes or no.