



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Did you know that when kids read over the summer they are more likely to leap ahead when they return to school? This is often called the "summer leap," and John F. Kennedy has made it a priority to keep our students' skills sharp by encouraging them to read all summer long.

Our school has signed up to participate in the New York's "A Universe of Stories" program, a free online reading program that invites children to log their reading minutes all summer. The goal is for our students in John F. Kennedy to read the most minutes possible! With your help, we can do it!

The Deer Park School District's summer reading expectations are as follows:

- Decide the best time of day to read and read for approximately 30 minutes each day.
- Complete the Reading Log
- Complete two literacy activities from the summer reading activity packet distributed in class.

The myOn Digital Library provides young readers with more than 6,000 nonfiction and fiction e-books, covering a broad range of topics and themes. There are flexible supports that include recorded audio, text highlighting, an embedded dictionary and a zoom feature that supports independent reading. Families can download up to 20 books at a time for reading offline. See the directions attached for how to log on. If you don't have access to a computer/tablet at home the Deer Park Public Library is a great place to visit. Here you can sit at the computer and log on and while you're there pick out a great book!

Have a wonderful summer!

Happy Reading!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kelly Benson".

Kelly Benson

Associate Principal of Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment



Explore 'A Universe of Stories' with the myON digital library

As part of *Summer Reading at New York Libraries*, the State Education Department and myON®, by Renaissance®, are partnering to bring thousands of enhanced digital books to children from birth through 12th grade and their families all around the state!

When: May 1 through September 30, 2019

What's available:

- Unlimited, 24/7 access to the Renaissance myON® digital library, which includes **more than 6,000 authentic fiction and nonfiction texts** covering a broad range of themes and topics
- **Flexible supports**—professionally recorded audio, text highlighting, an embedded dictionary, and a zoom feature to support independent reading
- **Resources and tips** to support meaningful summer reading experiences

The myON digital library and its special features can be accessed online from any web-enabled device. Up to 20 books at a time can be downloaded to read offline whenever WiFi isn't available.

Flip for more information



A sampling of space-related texts from the myON digital library

How children and families will log in to read

Access to the myON digital library for this summer reading opportunity will be available through a **special shared account with one statewide login**.

Students who have personalized Renaissance myON® Reader accounts should continue using their own logins to access the myON digital library and continue reading during the summer.

Login information and resources will be shared with schools and libraries with the assistance of New York State's public library systems and school library systems.

CHECK THIS OUT!

Great summer resources at local public libraries

Visiting the local public library can help families find additional resources to inspire their children to read, learn, and explore—books, e-books, audio-books, games, and movies—as well as fun, educational programs and activities.

Encourage children and families to explore “A Universe of Stories” through a variety of learning experiences this summer!

Looking for more information on *SUMMER READING AT NEW YORK LIBRARIES*?

Visit our website: <http://www.summerreadingnys.org/>

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Summer Reading
AT NEW YORK LIBRARIES

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES
myON by Renaissance
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Start reading now!

1. Go to www.myON.com and click on the  button
2. Enter this information
School Name: New York Reads
(Begin by entering the first few letters, then click on the name from the drop-down menu)
Username: read
Password: books
3. Select a book and start reading!

Resources include login bookmarks in English and Spanish to download and print, along with instructions for offline reading using free mobile apps.

Summer Reading Log

Student Name: _____ Grade _____

2019-2020 Teacher _____

Keep track of your minutes! Let's see how much we can read as a school. This sheet is due back to school on *September 13th* in order to be eligible for a certificate!

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If you run out of space, feel free to add another piece of paper or make copies of this log!

Have a great summer and read good book!



Summer Reading Activity Packet



- Complete the Summer Reading Log - You can choose to read online, using www.myon.com or visit your library and pick out some good books. Log your minutes using the reading log.
- Complete two Literacy Activities from this packet
 - Check out some of the math websites

Bring back the reading log or complete the online log by September 13th and receive a certificate and a prize.

HAPPY READING!

Name: _____

FICTION & NON FICTION



1. **Build a Pyramid** After reading, complete the pyramid. You may use a phrase as long as there is only one word for each blank space.

Title: _____ Author: _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

- 1. name of main character/event
- 2. 2 words: describe the main character/event
- 3. 3 words: describe the setting
- 4. 4 words: state the main character/idea's goal or problem
- 5. 5 words: describe an important event/details
- 6. 6 words: describe the conclusion/events
- 7. 7 words: describe other characters/events in the book

2. **Making Connections:** Use complete sentences to answer ALL of the following.

<p>A. Make one text-to-text connection <i>(How does this book link to other texts/books?)</i></p> <p>B. Make one text-to-world connection <i>(How does this book link to the world or past/ current events?)</i></p> <p>C. Make one text-to-self connection <i>(This book reminds me of a time when I...)</i></p>	
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Wondering Reading Response

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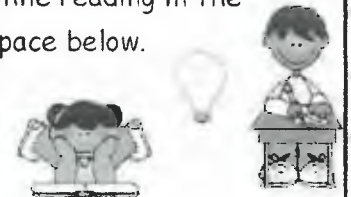
Good readers ask questions before, during and after reading to understand the text better.



Record your questions in the chart below before, during and after you read.



Record answers you found or discoveries you made while reading in the space below.



Before Reading

During Reading

After Reading

Teacher's Comments:

Wondering Reading Response

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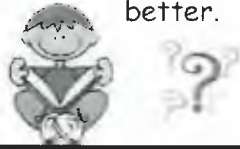
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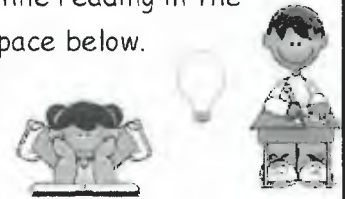
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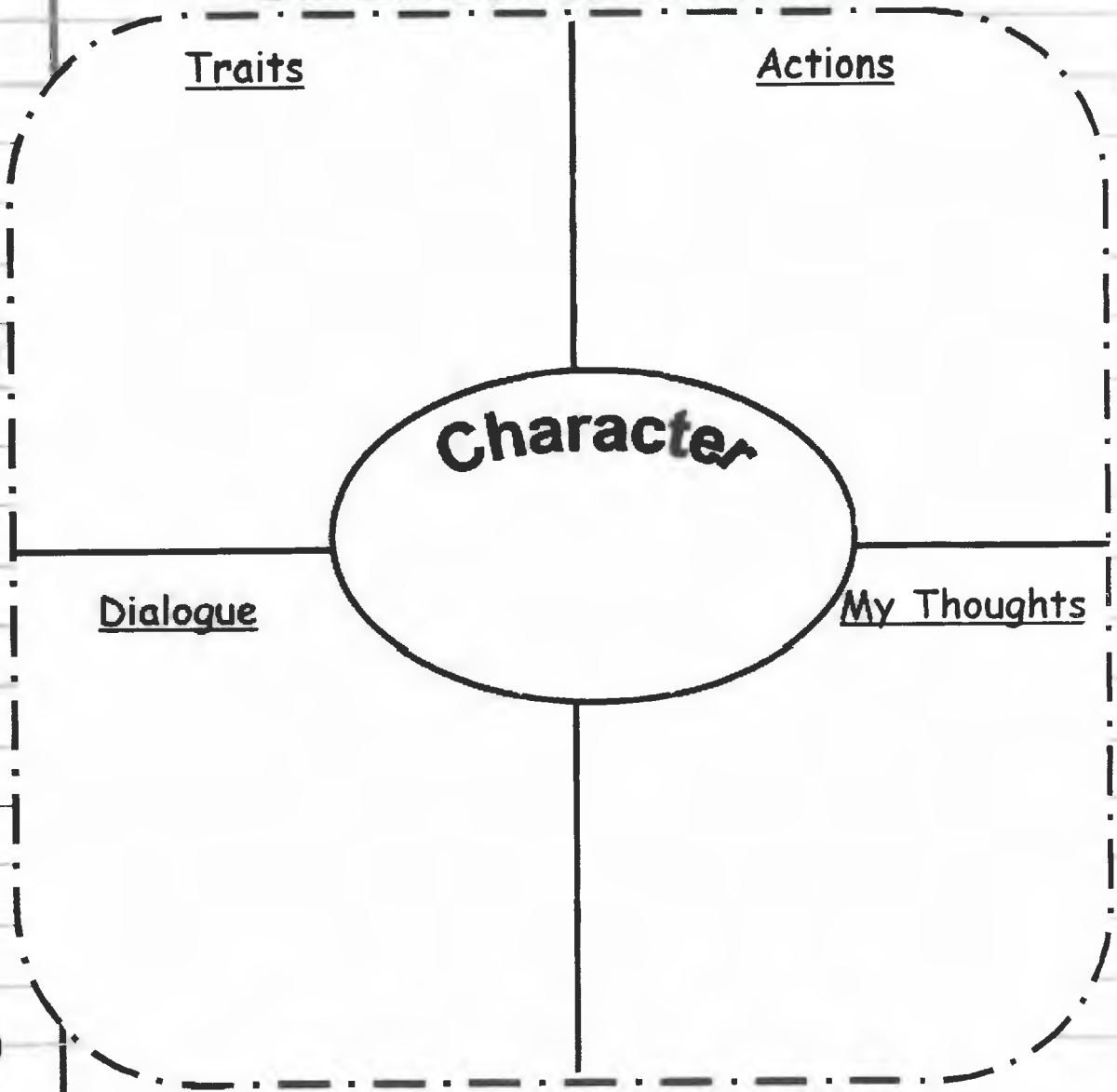
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Character Traits



Inferring Reading Response

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Character Traits

Traits

Actions

Character

Dialogue

My Thoughts