Robert Frost Middle School English Language Arts Department Language Arts 7 Summer Reading Assignment 2016

This summer, students enrolled in English Language Arts 7 have the option of reading one of the suggested texts from the list below as well as completing the corresponding written assignment.

Students who choose to complete the summer assignment by **Wednesday September 21, 2016**, will be <u>exempt</u> from Quarter 1's Independent Reading Novel (IRN) Assignment. The grade he/she receives on the summer reading assignment will take the place of Quarter 1's IRN Project.

Choose ONE of the following works of literature to read:

Every Last Word by Tamara Ireland Stone

Maximum Ride by James Patterson

The Secret Language of Sisters by Luanne Rice

Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer by John Grisham

Corresponding Written Assignment: You must choose **ONE** of the following assignments.

- Write the script for a TV news report of an important event in the story. Include interviews with the characters involved in the event. Be sure to explain what happened, who was involved, where it took place, when it took place, and why it happened. How was the event resolved?
- Discuss the author's craft. What things did the author do to make this book good (or not)? Be sure to include specific examples of things the author did well or could have done better.
- You are dining at a Chinese restaurant with three characters from the novel you just read. On that particular night, the fortunes cookies are amazingly appropriate. Tell what each fortune cookie said and why it was especially fitting to the character who received it by including 3 or more specific examples from the text for each character.
- Think of what five (or more) gifts would be perfect to give to the main character. They can be tangible or intangible, but should be things that he/she would really want or could use. Explain why you chose each gift and how it fits your character (one paragraph minimum per gift).

All summer reading assignments MUST be submitted to his/her teacher no later than Wednesday, September 21, 2016.

Happy Reading! ©