

**Robert Frost Middle School**  
**English Language Arts Department**  
**Language Arts 8 Summer Reading Assignment 2016**

This summer, students enrolled in English Language Arts 8 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 exempt 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:**

*Everything, Everything* by Nicola Yoon

*Rumble Fish* by S.E. Hinton

*Summer Ball* by Mike Lupica

*Ten Things I Hate About Me* by Randa Abdel-Fattah

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

**Write a character sketch for one of your characters.** Write a character sketch describing your favorite character. Tell what the character is like (age, gender, physical description, etc.) and inside (personality), providing specific details from the story to support your response. Pay more attention to the internal qualities of your character. Include a drawing or photo of your character. The drawing is in addition to the written sketch. Include at least five (5) quotes and explanations that encapsulate your character.

**Create a new ending for your story-** Write a different ending for the book. This must be a creative believable ending including both dialogue and narration. This must be 1 ½ pages long.

**Create a comic strip for your story based on the major events.**

**Write a script for a major news event from your story for a TV show.** The script should reflect one of the major turning points in your story. Include interviews with the characters involved in the events. 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?

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

Happy Reading! ☺