

“You can find magic wherever you look-Sit back and relax, all you need is a book” ~ Dr. Seuss

Requirements

8th grade students enrolled in Booker T. Washington during the fall of 2018 must read *Up from Slavery by Booker T. Washington* and complete the summer notes assignment.

By having every student on the same grade level read the same book title, teachers can have a more enriching discussion of the book with their students instilling relevant, thought-provoking lessons on the literary elements (themes, conflict, characters, setting, etc.), language devices (tone, purpose, audience, etc.), vocabulary, grammar, etc., around the book the first weeks of school.

Students will be required to do a *Summer Notes* assignment over the summer (see flip side). In addition, students will be completing an in-class writing assignment during the second week of school. For the in-class writing assignment, students will be given the topic for their writing assignment on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, and will complete their in-class assignment on Wednesday, September 12, 2018. This will allow for students to spend a week preparing to use the summer notes as a writing aid for their in-class writing assignment.

NOTE:

Up from Slavery will be distributed on Monday, June 11 to rising 8th graders and checked out to each student individually through the school library. Any student who is absent from school during the last week of school may pick up the novel in the BTW school office over the summer.

“Not all readers are leaders, but all leaders are readers.” ~ Harry S. Truman

Summer Reading Notes Assignment

Directions: Complete the Summer Reading Notes assignment on *Up from Slavery*. You may type your responses or neatly hand write. Use headings to divide each part of your notes assignment. The assignment is due on Friday, September 7.

Summer Reading Notes Assignment: 100 pts.

Headings:

Author and Title of the Book – 5pts

Physical description and personality traits of Booker T. Washington (Write one descriptive paragraph) - 10pts

Conflicts – Identify three conflicts and their resolutions (Write a descriptive paragraph for EACH conflict.) – 30pts

Five significant events in Booker T. Washington’s life (Be descriptive in paragraph format. Remember to include the beginning, middle, and end of the book) – 20pts

Create a timeline of the book’s events in order of their occurrence (Organize events by date in chronological order) – 25pts

1 sentence/paragraph from the book that is meaningful to you and why (Write one descriptive paragraph) – 10pts