



8TH GRADE SUMMER PACKET 2020



Please complete ALL assignments for each subject and submit before the first day of school.

RESPONSES FOR ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE SHUT OFF ON SEPTEMBER 8th, 2020

SUBJECT	ASSIGNMENTS
ELA	<p>Read the Novel “New Kid” then complete the 3 activities attached.</p> <p>Activity 1: New Kid is a story about the challenges of middle school life and Jordan’s continuously evolving identities. He grapples with questions like “Who am I?”, “Why am I me?”, “What is important to me?”, and “Who will I be?”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you identify moments in the story where Jordan seems to be wrestling with his multiple identities? Jordan is many things and his identity is not static, despite the social pressures that make it feel that way. Our own identities are multiple and evolving complete the Google Forms with your response. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfDuwKc6Z5eMK1WrS3-sSwm2KopWQMGBbFvI9uh32-41WOr7w/viewform?usp=sf_link 2. In a notebook, draw a “Cultural X-Ray” of yourself, in which you label the outside of your body with aspects of your culture that are evident to others, such as language, age, ethnicity, gender, and religion, and the inside with the values and beliefs that you hold in your heart. <p>Activity 2: One of the most important patterns in the story is the way in which White teachers mistake characters of color for other characters by calling them by the wrong name. This is called a microaggression.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define the term microaggression using Merriam-Webster or another source. 2. Then write about a time when you experienced, witnessed, or committed a microaggression on Google Forms. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSewwFLn_3wK7VSqaTFsv8SgkJUTsIMQRZOtaTYULEEjONjJg/viewform?usp=sf_link <p>Activity 3: Jordan lives with his family in the neighborhood of Washington Heights, a real New York City neighborhood in northern Manhattan.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Find a digital map and photographs of the neighborhood online to get more context. 2. Do some research to investigate the history of the neighborhood and how it has changed in the last decade. 3. Answer the questions on Google Forms. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ How is your research reflected in the book’s illustrations and through the dialogue? ❖ How does Jordan change his persona and even his clothing when he rides the bus from Washington Heights to Riverdale? ❖ In what ways does his clothing signify who he is in the presence of others depending on where he is on his ride? https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSef7Q49YM00jfpMJRScCUfQmrY9NKca9vlt6TreCsMaP51fAg/viewform?usp=sf_link 4. After answering these questions, read “The Tale of Two Schools”, a New York

	<p>Times Magazine article that shows how Jordan feels living between his two worlds of home and school, then respond on the same Google Forms as the previous questions about how Jordan feels.</p> <p>https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2014/05/04/magazine/tale-of-two-schools.html</p>
MATH	<p>Prerequisite Skills for Incoming 8th Graders Math Packet</p> <p>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScUAqs8AnlxVv3vHykVTD0t7sAlFydgvEIFZgS.JyDjWk2CUjw/viewform?usp=sf_link</p>
ALGEBRA 1	<p>Algebra 1 Summer Packet</p>
SCIENCE	<p>Independent and Dependent Variables</p> <p>Science Summer Packet Part 1</p> <p>Claim, Evidence, Reasoning</p> <p>Science Summer Packet Part 2</p> <p>Scientific Summer Presentation</p> <p>Summer Science Packet Part 3</p> <p>Science Summer Presentation Folder (upload your project here)</p>