Summer Reading 2017 Note Taking Template

Digital Google Doc Access Directions.

- 1. Type in http://bit.ly/ghsreads2017notes into a web browser.
- 2. In the google doc application main menu, click FILE and select MAKE A COPY...
- 3. Students should create a name for their summer reading notes document.
- 4. Click OK.

The **double sided note-taking method** and **literary sign posts** are a key tool that can help students engage more with their summer reading texts and help them remember the content. In Fall 2017, the students will have to complete a RAFT activity in their ELA classes, and their notes will be useful for this assignment. Choose one note-taking method or try both. For more details, materials, booklists, and updates, please visit www.ghsreads2017.weebly.com.

Double-Sided Notes (information on the left and ideas on the right)

Summer Reading Theme and Book Name:

On this side of your notes write down information from the book you are reading.

Plot

What are some key events that occur in the **plot,** story, or stories? Try to list at least 3.

Setting

What are some key elements of the **setting** that are intriguing to you? Does the story or text events in the text take place in the past, present or future?

Characters

Who are the main **characters** or important characters in the text? Did you sympathize with the main character or characters?

On this side of your notes write down thoughts about the book you are reading.

Within the Text

 How do the elements of plot, setting, characters, point of view, and writing style interact to explore a theme or themes. (Themes are big ideas about life.)

Text to Text

 Does this story or book remind you of another text, film, or article that you have read or watched? How is is it alike and how is it different? Did you read anything else this summer related to your anchor theme or to this text?

Text to Self

 Write down your ideas, opinions, reactions, and questions about the text. Is there anything from the text that you can personally relate to? Did you enjoy reading the text? Why or why not?

Text to World

• Did you agree or disagree with the ideas or story from the text? How does the main idea of this text impact your life or society?

Literary Sign Post Notes and Questions



