

6th Grade Summer Reading Assignment
North Shore Hebrew Academy Middle School



Wonder by R. J. Palacio

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Over the summer, all students entering sixth grade will be reading the novel, *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio. Before, during and after reading, you should use the attached information to guide your reading and better understand the novel. Be prepared to hand in your assignments and highlighted books on the **first** day of school.

In addition to the novel, students will responsible for a list of vocabulary words. These words are linked here: <https://quizlet.com/44114233/6th-grade-summer-vocab-flash-cards/> It can also be accessed by logging on to quizlet.com and then searching for nshamiddleschool. This will bring you to the 6th Grade Summer Vocabulary link.

August Pullman was born with a facial deformity that, up until now, has prevented him from going to a mainstream school. Starting 5th grade at Beecher Prep, he wants nothing more than to be treated as an ordinary kid—but his new classmates can't get past Auggie's extraordinary face. *Wonder*, now a #1 New York Times bestseller, begins from Auggie's point of view, but soon switches to include his classmates, his sister, her boyfriend, and others. These perspectives converge in a portrait of one community's struggle with empathy, compassion, and acceptance.

Excerpted from: http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb_sb_noss_2?url=search-alias%3Daps&field-keywords=wonder

This book will be available for purchase at Barnes and Nobles on Northern Boulevard in Manhasset. It can also be ordered online.

Remember:

- Always read over your finished work
- Write your responses neatly
- Write your name on the top left of your paper
- Do not “share” any work with your peers.
- Only use complete sentences

E-mail me if you have any questions! kbliss@nsha.org

THIS ASSIGNMENT IS DUE ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

Name: _____

Mrs. Bliss

English 6

Summer Assignment

Wonder Summer Reading Packet

While You Read

IMPORTANT: Highlight/write a note/add a Post-it in your book every time one of the characters shows acceptance.

The book has many themes. Answer the questions that coincide with the themes listed below. Be careful! Each theme has several questions; make sure you answer all of them in **2-3 complete sentences.**

Family Relationships

1. How does Via react to Auggie's deformity, and how is she affected?

2. She says, "I'm always going to be the sister of a kid with a birth defect; that's not the issue. I just don't always want to be defined that way." (page 91) What does she mean by this statement?

Friendship

3. Which of Auggie's friends demonstrates the qualities of a good friend? Describe what he/she does.

4. How does Auggie's ability to be "comfortable in his own skin" make it easier for his friends and family to relate to him?
