<div align="center">**7th Grade English Summer Assignment 2020**</div>

Directions:
1. Choose a novel from the list below to read over the summer.
2. After reading your novel, please respond to the following topic in **two complete paragraphs**.
   a. Select a character from your novel. What trait best describes that character? How do you know?
3. The **written assignment** will be collected on the first day of 7th grade. Please try to have it handwritten or printed out if typed because we cannot guarantee access to our Chromebooks on the first day.

NOVELS TO CHOOSE FROM			
Title:	**Genre:**	**Author:**	**Summary:**
The Boy Who Dared	Historical Fiction	Susan Campbell Bartoletti	When 16-year-old Helmuth Hübener listens to the BBC news on an illegal short-wave radio, he quickly discovers Germany is lying to the people. But when he tries to expose the truth with leaflets, he's tried for treason. Sentenced to death and waiting in a jail cell, Helmuth's story emerges in a series of flashbacks. (Based upon the true story of Helmuth Hübener)
Milkweed	Historical Fiction	Jerry Spinelli	He's a boy called a Jew. Gypsy. Stopthief. He's a boy who lives in the streets of Warsaw. He's a boy who steals food for himself and the other orphans. He's a boy who wants to be a Nazi, with tall, shiny jackboots of his own - until one day that suddenly makes him change his mind. And when the train comes to empty the Jews from the ghetto, he's a boy who realizes it's safest of all to be nobody.
The Upstairs Room	Historical Fiction	Johanna Reiss	A Dutch Jewish girl describes the 2 and a half years she spent hiding in the upstairs bedroom of a farmer's house during World War II.

*Option if no book is available: Please read the four short stories below. Then, answer the same written response question as above.

"Suzy and Leah" http://blramiddleschool.weebly.com/uploads/1/4/9/1/14916166/suzy_and_leah.pdf

"Beyond Secret Tears" https://www.adl.org/media/6873/download

"Eleven" https://www.svsd410.org/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=9552&dataid=13387&FileName=Eleven%20by%20Sandra%20Cisneros.pdf

"Charles" https://loa-shared.s3.amazonaws.com/static/pdf/Jackson_Charles.pdf