

**EAST MEADOW U.F.S.D.**  
**Summer Reading**  
**Entering Grade 8**

**GUIDE QUESTIONS**

The following questions pertain to the book you have read over the summer. Answer the questions in complete sentences. Edit for correct grammar, spelling and punctuation. All responses must be at least 100 words. Specific text-based examples should be used to demonstrate an insightful understanding of the text (plot, characters, setting, conflict and/or theme).

1. Record the words and phrases used by the author to describe the setting. Explain how the setting is important to the story.
2. Make a list of five to eight gifts that one of the characters might request for his/her birthday. Explain why these gifts are significant to the character.
3. Explain the major conflict that the main character faces and how it is resolved.
4. What do you think the author is trying to tell us about life and/or people? Use details from your reading to support your answer.
5. Would you want to read another book by this author? Why or why not?