

SUMMER READING SERIES

Overview

Summer is here! The sun is shining, the weather is warm and there is nothing better than going to summer camp or working a few shifts or spending a week at the beach or bouncing from basketball camp to basketball camp or sleeping until 4 in the afternoon or curling up with a good book. We can't tell you how to enjoy summer, and we do hope you enjoy it, but we can encourage you to keep reading. In our effort to build life-long learners we are introducing Williamsburg Christian Academy's Summer 2019 Reading Series.

The Middle School (Grades 6-8) will be reading *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope* by William Kamkwamba

Objectives/Activities

AFTER YOU HAVE READ THE BOY WHO HARNESSSED THE WIND PLEASE COMPLETE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING EXERCISES BY THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE 2019-2020 ACADEMIC YEAR AT WILLIAMSBURG CHRISTIAN ACADEMY:

GRAPHIC NOVEL / COMIC Create your own graphic novel / comic book adaptation of the book. Choose the major events of the book and do an "abridged" graphic novel version, OR choose a major scene / event and illustrate it in graphic novel format. You need to make sure that your audience knows which parts of the book you are illustrating.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE: Choose an event from the book and "report" on this event in the style of a newspaper article. (Stretch your imagination on this!) Your article should be written in the style of professional news articles. (Think of the Who, What, When, Where, and Whys.)

COLLAGE OF PICTURES AND WORDS: Create a collage that portrays a character or theme from the novel. The collage should be larger than 8" X 10" and should provide insight into the personality and development of a character, or illustrate a major theme (the power of education, social justice, etc.) of the book.

TIMELINE: Create a timeline outlining the major events of the book and their significance. The timeline should have at LEAST 10 events and include photos, drawings, clipart, or other graphics that help illustrate the events you choose to include.

DRAWING / PAINTING: Create a drawing or painting inspired by the book. This could be a scene from the book, a thematic response (focusing on education, social justice, response to terrorism, etc.), or something else that sparks your creativity.

CREATE A 3-D SCENE: Choose an important scene, or setting, from the story and create a model of that scene using clay, a shoebox, balsa wood, or other materials of your choice. Write a minimum of one paragraph explaining your creation and citing textual evidence from the book that helped you complete the 3D scene.

Materials

Textbook:

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope

by William Kamkwamba

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How to obtain:

Available free on loan from WJCC Library (subject to availability)

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