

8th Grade R.W.W. Summer Reading Assignment

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Welcome to RWW8! I am excited to meet you and to hear your insights on this year's summer reading and the other incredible texts we will explore together. You must read two books this summer: Marie Lu's ***Legend***, a primary text in our first unit, and one book from the *Louisiana Young Readers' Choice List* provided below.

While there is no written assignment for the summer, please reflect on the questions below as you read. Record your answers on loose-leaf paper. Please annotate your **Legend** for literary devices and text evidence that support your ideas. Your thoughtful answers to these questions will help enrich our discussions and deepen our understanding of the text.

Reflection Questions for annotation in Marie Lu's Legend

1. Which personal qualities help characters become agents of change?
2. How do characters' choices affect their own lives and the lives of others?
3. How do characters evolve throughout the story? How do their experiences and conflicts lead to their personal growth?
4. What traits help characters address internal and external conflicts?
5. How do characters' relationships with others influence their decisions and actions?
6. How do characters' backgrounds and personal histories shape their perspectives and actions?
7. What motivates characters to pursue their goals, and how do they overcome obstacles?

Louisiana Young Readers' Choice List

- **Call Me Adnan** by Reem Faruqi
- **It's Boba Time for Pearl Li!** by Nicole Chen
- **The Labors of Hercules Beal** by Gary D. Schmidt
- **The Ruby Code** by Jessica Khoury

****Students must purchase a copy of Marie Lu's Legend; however, students may listen to an audio version or read an electronic version of the book they select from the Louisiana Young Readers' Choice List above. The books on the list may also be checked out from a library. A copy of the book is not required. We will discuss these books in literature circles during the first week of school.****