



Baylor College of Medicine Academy at James D. Ryan  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading Assignment

We will begin the 2019-2020 school year with a study of narrative nonfiction. Your first task is to read the memoir *The Crossover* by Jason Reynolds. We will pair this with several other texts, but this one will be our anchor. Answer the questions below on a separate sheet of paper. **Due on the first day of school.**

6. Who is the main character (protagonist) of the novel? *Describe* the following: appearance, personality, what he/she cares about, and how others view him/her.
7. What is the problem (*conflict*) the character faces?
8. Describe the story's setting. How does the *setting* contribute to the conflict of the story, if at all?
9. What do you think was the *author's purpose* for writing this story?
10. Choose a *line* from the story that stood out to you. Write down the line, the page number, and the speaker. Explain why you liked this line.

You are also required to read an additional book of your choice. Complete one of the two assignments below over your choice novel. **Due September 2019**

Create a Comic Strip Version of the text (10 frames, 10 points each)

Create a comic strip with a minimum of 10 frames. The comic should include key scenes from the book and should tell the story clear enough that someone who has never read the book could understand it. You will be graded on the clarity (clearness) of your comic as well as the overall look. Include a sentence under each frame to describe the scene. Your comic can be hand drawn or digital. Use color and be creative!

Find Objects Related to the Book (5 objects, 20 points each)

Think about five objects that relate to your book. For example, for any Harry Potter novel, I could use a wand, a red train for the Hogwarts Express, a cauldron, a portrait, and a robe. Objects do not have to appear in the book if you can tie them to the story or a character. Draw out each object (or take a picture) and give a detailed description of how the object connects to the book. Must include at least three reasons per picture.



### HISD Name That Book List

Use this list as a guide for choosing your second novel. These are only suggestions; you may choose any title you would like.

Title	Author	Title	Author
After Zero	Christina Collins	Not If I Save You First	Ally Carter
All Summer Long	Hope Larsen	Restart	Godron Korman
Black Panther: The Young Prince	Ronald L. Smith	The Storm Runner	J. C. Cervantes
City of Ghosts	Victoria Schwab	Time Bomb	Joelle Carbonneau
Everless	Sara Holland	Well, That Was Awkward	Rachel Vail
The Faithful Spy	John Hendrix	When the Men Were Gone	Marjorie Herrera Lewis
Fake Blood	Whitney Gardner	Wildcard	Marie Lu
The First Rule of Punk	Celia C. Perez	The Shadow Clper	Laura Ruby
Heartless	Marissa Meye	<b>Select High School Name That Book Titles</b>	
Impyrium	Henry H. Neff	All in Pieces	Suzanne Young
In the Shadow of the Sun	Anne Sibley O'Brien	Carve the Mark	Veronica Roth
Miles Morales: Spider-man	Jason Reynolds	The Cruelty	Scott Bergstrom
Letters to the Lost	Brigid Kemmerer	Genuine Fraud	E. Lockhart
The Night Diary	Veera Hiranandani	The Hate U Give	Angie Thomas
Refugee	Alan Gratz	Piecing Me Together	Renee Watson
Scythe	Neal Shusterman	Saving Red	Sonya Sones
Short	Holly Goldberg Sloan	Words in Deep Blue	Cath Crowley