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English 7 Summer Project 2010

Part I: The Reading

Now is the time to read all those books that you bought at the Book Fair or those novels that you didn't get to during the school year. You may also go to the St. Luke's School website to find the suggested summer reading list which includes a page on award-winning books in past years. We will talk about appropriate/inappropriate books in class. If you would like to personalize your list, be sure to make an appointment with Ms.Eisman or me before the end of the year.

Below, list the books that you plan to read during the summer. Aim to read at least eight (8) books. Try to read a variety of genres. Though you may like to re-read your favorite books, please list only books that you will be reading for the first time. It is certainly okay to change titles or add more books to the list over the summer.

Title	Author	Genre
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Part II: The Library Card

If you already have a library card, you don't need to worry about this part. If you don't...

- Find the nearest local library to your home.
- Inquire about how to get a library card.
- Learn how to find a book in your local library- **BY YOURSELF**- by using the computer catalog at the library or, if you live in New York, you can access the catalog via the internet at www.nypl.org. Then, find the book you want on the shelf. If you don't already know how to do it, ask someone in your family or a librarian for help.
- When you return in the fall, you will be asked to bring your library card on the first day of school in order to earn full credit for your summer project.

Part III: The Postcards

For five (5) of the books you read this summer, you will create a postcard and then mail it to Mr. Pelegano by August 31, 2010.

Here's how it works:

1. Finish a book.
2. Pretend you are one of the main characters and write a postcard (any postcard will do) which includes:
 - a. Setting: where you are and during what time period
 - b. Conflict: what problems or adventure you are encountering
 - c. Characters: other people you meet
3. Mail it to Mr. Pelegano at St. Luke's as soon as you write it. The deadline for postmarks on your postcards is August 31, 2010.

****Make sure that your postcard looks like the one below!****

<p style="text-align: right;">July 7, 2010</p> <p>Dear Mr. Pelegano,</p> <p>Hi, my name is Salamanca Hiddle from <u>Walk Two Moons</u>. I'm in the car with my grandparents right now, and they are really driving me crazy! We keep stopping, and all I want to do is get to Idaho. You see, my mother is there and I just have to see her. I also have a crazy story to tell you about my friend, Phoebe Winterbottom. (continue...)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sincerely, Sal (a.k.a. Luke Hudson)</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"><p>Stamp Goes Here!</p></div> <p style="text-align: center;">Mr. Pelegano St. Luke's School 487 Hudson St. New York, NY 10014</p>
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****IMPORTANT*: Put your real name under the name of the character you are pretending to be.**

Please write legibly.

I have read the summer project guidelines, I have/know where to access a copy of the reading list, and I will support my child as he/she works on this summer project.

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____