

## Summer Reading (Year 1 AVID)

Your first assignment is your “*Learning Log*”. Your task is to **read 2 books\*** and write a reflection for each book in your learning log. The first book will be the required book, *Let the Circle be Unbroken* by Mildred Taylor. They are reserved for you at Borders bookstore in Carmel Mountain. We will have follow up activities with this book when school starts, so it is necessary for you to have this book read. Then you are to read one other book using the following criteria:

(\*You can choose the *Compass Learning assignment in place of the second book if you wish*)

- Book is your free choice, but must have chapters. No magazines or cartoon books.
- Length must be 200 pages or more.
- Reading level must be 6<sup>th</sup> grade or above.

You can find reading lists on the Twin Peaks Online Library website.

<http://powayusd.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/pusdtpms/library/library/index.html>

Or you can use the Summer Reading page on Mrs. Busch’s web site.

<http://powayusd.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/teachers/sbusch/CLASS%20WEB%20SITE/AVID.htm>

Read your selected books then write a reflection in your learning log using one or more of the following prompts:

- How has this book impacted my life?
- Describe the symbolisms in the book?
- Did this book open my eyes to a new way of thinking?
- Which character did I love the most? The least? Why?
- What did you think of the author’s style of writing?
- **DO NOT SUMMARIZE THE BOOK!!!** (meaning don’t retell the story)

**\*\* Complete your reflection in essay form; do NOT take each prompt and respond to it as a question & answer worksheet.**

**\*\*The goal of writing your reflection is to draw personal connections between the book and your impressions and/or your life experiences.**

Preparing the learning log entry:

1. Left side will have the web page printout for the chosen book taped in securely.
2. Right side will have the learning log entry with the proper heading.
3. Last page after the learning log entry will be the illustration for the story (i.e. a general portrayal of story or choose a particular scene or chapter). Use a minimum of 6 colors.

**The length of the journal writing is minimum one page.**

**The due date is September 7, 2009.**

**Grade is 90 points.**