



## RESURRECTION CATHOLIC MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENTS

- I. Read the literature selection for the grade you will enter this fall.

**7<sup>th</sup> grade:** *Gathering Blue* by Lois Lowry

**8<sup>th</sup> grade:** *Freak the Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick

**9<sup>th</sup> grade:** *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd

**10<sup>th</sup> grade:** *Tears of a Tiger* by Sharon Draper

**11<sup>th</sup> grade:** *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

**12<sup>th</sup> grade:** *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave\*

*\*Note: 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who will take Comp I and II will not have a summer reading assignment as those are college-level courses.*

- II. Complete the summer reading assignment sheet and bring it to school on the first day of class in August. You will be graded on the quality of your work. Spelling counts. Grammar counts. Neatness counts. Please give your best effort.
- III. Be prepared to take a quiz on the novel and to complete additional assignments in class that are based on the summer reading novel.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

### Summer Reading Assignment Sheet

**Directions:** Answer the following questions about the novel you were required to read over the summer. Neatness counts, and answers may be typed. **Summer Reading Assignment Sheets are due on the first day of school in August.**

Setting (time **and** place):

Point of view:

Major characters and a brief description of each:

Main events of the plot:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

Conflict(s) faced by the character(s):

Resolution of the conflict:

Write a paragraph (5-7 complete sentences) explaining what YOU think a major theme of the novel is. Explain how that theme is woven through the novel.

Choose one character from your novel and write a paragraph (5-7 complete sentences) describing that character. You should include details of the character's physical description, personality traits, and whether that character changes throughout the novel.

## **Evaluation: Give Your Opinions**

1. Why do you think the author wrote this book?

2. If you could only save one character from the book in the event of a disaster, which one would it be and why?

3. Is the title a good one or a poor one and why? What does the title mean?

4. Did you like the way the novel ended? Why or why not?