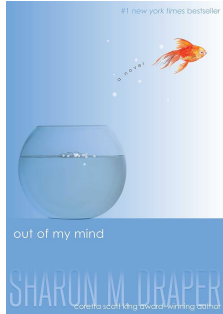


Incoming Grade 6 (for students going into 6th grade)

Annotated Summer Reading

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Purchase a copy of *Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper

Put your **NAME** on the **INSIDE** cover of the book

Annotation Guidelines for reading Novels

- Use a pencil as you read to mark your book.
- Use a highlighter to color code.
 - Highlight challenging words (words you do not know) in **GREEN**.
 - Choose **one Character** and highlight descriptive details (based on what he or she says/dialogue, or does/actions/reactions) in **BLUE**.
- To mark important events connected to the character: problems, conflicts, actions, and resolutions (Plot) as the story progresses:
 - Use [brackets], * asterisks ? Question marks, # hash tags, or other bullet points.
 - Write in the margins of pages or between lines, and/or draw arrows and/or boxes around parts of the text.
- DO make comments about:
 - Connections to your own experiences (this is like...., I never would have....) ○ Confusing ideas (what's up with this.....? How come....?)
 - Your reactions to the passages (wow this is..., oh no..., eww..., sweet...., darn.....)

You will turn in your book with your annotations for a grade.

Comprehension checks and follow up assignments will be completed in the first weeks of school.

- DO NOT use highlighter excessively or exclusively OR write notes in highlighter.
- DO NOT worry that your text markings are not like your classmates.
- DO NOT COPY annotated notes from ANYONE.
- DO NOT be afraid to be controversial or disagree in your comments (if you hate it, say you do and consider why, NOT that I hate to read!)

Along with annotating the book, you will choose **two** options from the below list to complete.

These should be done on paper and turned in with the book.

Follow the brief instructions with your choices and be sure to fully complete each.

Theme Tracker Identify the book's main theme and write one clear sentence explaining how specific events support it	Character Diary Write a one-paragraph diary entry (5–7 sentences) in Melody's voice using correct subject-verb agreement.	Quotation Detective Choose three short quotation and explain in one sentence how the author's word choice affects tone.
Song Smells Using three songs, describe how they make you feel using scents and tastes.	Figurative Language Hunt Find five examples of figurative language from the novel and label each (simile, metaphor, etc.) in one sentence each.	Character Compare and Contrast In one paragraph (4–6 sentences), compare Melody to another character focusing on actions and dialogue; use correct pronouns and verb tenses.