



Summer Bridging 2023



As we continue to grow as readers we will encounter tougher and more challenging texts. In order to understand those texts effectively you will continue to practice the close reading strategies we have worked on during the school year. Those strategies will help you as you move throughout your academic career to aid you when texts get progressively more difficult to understand.

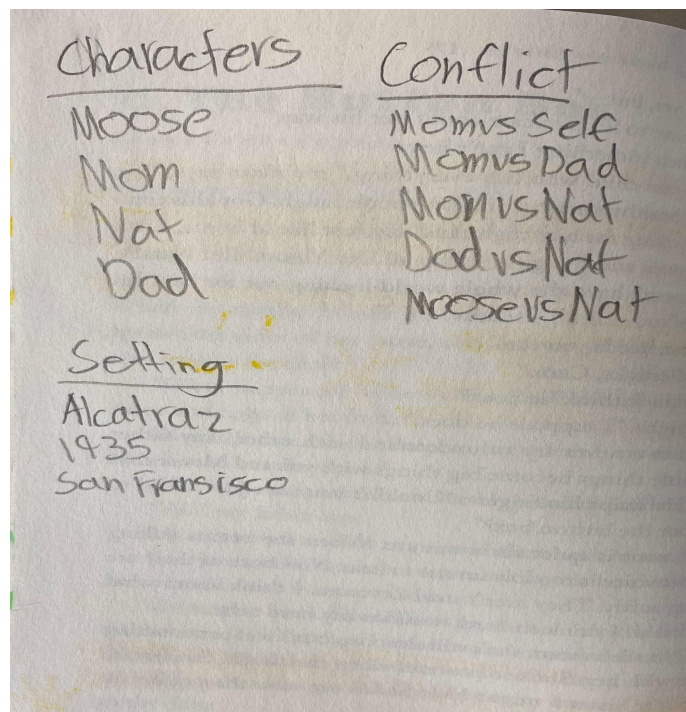
PART 1 (of 2): Using the strategies we have learned this year, close read and annotate:

1. The required novel for your grade:
 - **8th Grade Required Read:** *Refugee* by Alan Gatz
 - **7th Grade Required Read:** *Stella by Starlight* by Sharon Draper
 - **6th Grade Required Read:** *Restart* by Gordon Korman
2. The **All-School Required Read:**
 - *Harbor Me* by Jaqueline Woodson.

You **MUST** include the following annotations at the start of each chapter you will identify:

- The main characters and any **NEW** characters
- The setting (where all of the action takes place)
- Major Conflicts within the chapter
 - Remember, sometimes there can be more than one conflict in a chapter/story. It is ok to write down more than one.

Here is an example of these annotations:



PART 2 (of 2):

The **third book** of summer bridging will be **your choice!**

The book you choose must be a **fit middle school novel**, meaning one you can read and understand in order to discuss with your classmates in the Fall.

After you have read your chosen book, you will create a Book Jacket based around your choice book.

Book covers usually give readers our first clue of what a book will explore. From a book cover, we can often tell what genre of book, the age level of the reader, the information that the book will discuss, and even what other readers think about the book. Every book has a front cover, back cover, and a spine. These parts of the book's cover help readers identify the book as well as persuade potential readers to consider the title.

Book Jacket Assignment

Back Cover	Spine	Front Cover
<p>Provide an in depth summary of your book. Including the main characters, setting, and conflict.</p> <p>Add a review of the novel. A one to two sentence blurb stating why others should read this book.</p> <p>Additionally include a powerful quote from the book with a two to three explanation of why this stood out to you.</p>	<p>Title</p> <p>Author</p> <p>Publisher's Logo</p>	<p>Title & Author's Name</p> <p>Artwork: Creative, original artwork illustrating the book. This may be a favorite scene in the story or a picture of the main character. Do not recreate the actual cover. Be Creative!</p>

Directions:

1. Format information as shown above.
Paper size: If created by hand: 12" x 18" or 11" x 14"; any color paper you choose
 If created on the computer: 8½" x 11"
2. Design a book jacket that will be folded like the example above.
3. You may use the computer to help with your design or you may create your jacket by hand or a combination of both.
4. Design your book jacket so it includes the above information.
5. Be original! Be creative! Use color! Use your imagination! Have fun!

Book Jacket Example:

