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2021 Summer Reading Guide *for choice book*
Thurston Middle School

Title	Author	<u>Reading without walls challenge</u> Circle which one applies to your chosen book
		Character Topic Format
<i>(in case you read extra!)</i>		Character Topic Format

Your choice book must be approved by a parent or guardian. (Learn more about this and other books here: <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/>)

I read: _____ by _____

Parent/guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Study Guide Questions

Question 1

Toni Morrison, one of the greatest American novelists of all time, published over 10 novels, multiple essays, speeches, and more. In 1993, she was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature, the first Black woman to be so honored. Morrison once said that her inspiration for writing novels was that she always started with a question that she didn't have an answer to.

What question(s) do/does your book aim to answer? Explain why you think so.

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Question 2

Which challenge did you take on in reading this book? Circle one.

- a **character** who doesn't look like them or live like them
- a **topic** they don't know much about
- a **format** they don't typically read for fun

Please explain how taking on this reading challenge has influenced you. Frame your short response this way: *"I used to think.....but now I know."*

Question 3

Which scene or event had the deepest impact on you, and why do you think this is so? Please include quotations from the novel (with corresponding page numbers) in your response. If you can't decide on one, it's okay to describe two or more.

If you need more space, you can use the back of this or just attach paper and *go for it!*

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