



Upper Academy

8th Grade

Language Arts

Summer 2023 Home Learning

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Read a news article from Newsela.com assigned to your incoming grade level. (Students in Gifted/Advanced courses complete both articles. Students in ESOL/Regular courses choose one.) To access articles, go to Newsela.com and sign in with Clever or go to Clever.com and look for the Newsela app. Go to settings, scroll down to the bottom, enter the class code, and click join class.

- **Class Code Incoming 8th graders: ZATJXX**

- "Artillery officer at Battle of Gettysburg awarded Medal of Honor" and "Hero guard dogs at the White House"

2. As you read the news article take annotations to help engage with the text. A suggested description of annotations is detailed below.

- **Vocabulary:** In purple highlight any words that are unfamiliar, any slang words or jargon, any abbreviations, or acronyms.
- **Connections:** In green highlight any connections you can make to your own life, any connections you can make to other books, movies, events, etc.
- **Questions:** In orange highlight the parts that you have questions about.
- **Important Parts:** In yellow highlight the main ideas of the article and important details.

3. Complete the Writing Prompt.

4. Take the quiz.



LAST DAY TO COMPLETE THE i-READY LESSONS IS SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023

Incoming 8th Graders

Date	Lesson Name	Score % Go to: My Progress	Time on Task	Parent's Initials
Reading				
	Determining Word Meaning Using Context Clues			
	Analyzing Development of Central Ideas			
	Analyzing Poetic Elements and Structures			
	Determining Word Meaning: Literary Text			
	Citing Evidence: Literary Text			
	Building Sentence Comprehension: Identifying Replaced Words and Ideas in Informational Texts			
	Citing Evidence: Informational Text			
	Analyzing Interactions in Informational Text			
	Analyzing How Story Elements Interact			
	Building Sentence Comprehension: Understanding Informational Text about Preparing for Space			

The above i-Ready lessons will be available to **incoming 8th grade students** with an existing i-Ready account who were enrolled during the 2022-2023 school year. The enrichment lessons are geared towards preparing students for their future grade level during the 2023-2024 school year.