

Welcome to 7th grade!

Your summer reading for 2016 consists of two assignments. You will be reading *The Boy in the Alamo* by Margaret Cousins and a chapter in your new Texas history book (*Texas History*, by Pearson Texas). As you read, please complete the work outlined on the following page. Bring the completed work with you on the first day of school in a folder labeled "Summer Reading". I hope you enjoy your summer reading! Email me at emattay@brookhill.org if you have any questions about this assignment. I look forward to seeing you in August!

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Summer Reading Assignment 2016

Assignment #1: *The Boy In The Alamo* By Margaret Cousins

As a Texas history student, you will learn all about what happened at the Alamo. This book is about a boy around your age who was there in 1836 when the battle took place. There are two assignments to complete as you read this book.

1. You will keep a reading log as you read this book. Read a chapter and then write a short **paragraph** summarizing the events that took place on loose leaf notebook paper. End each journal entry with a **reaction** to what has just happened in the story or a **prediction** about what might happen next. No entry should be more than 3 or 4 sentences long. Be neat, be brief, and give just the main ideas of the chapter.
2. There are several good illustrations in *The Boy In The Alamo*. Your job is to add one more! Choose any chapter and make an illustration of something you read about. Put your illustration on a sheet of plain white paper. At the bottom of your illustration write the chapter and page number that indicates where your illustration would fit. Be able to explain your illustrations to your classmates when we meet in August. It will be fun to see all the different illustrations.

Assignment #2 Texas History book entitled, *Texas History* (Pearson Texas).

Your assignment is to read Topic 1.1 titled, *Historians at Work* and complete the 5 Assessment Questions at the end of the section.

Complete your assessments neatly. Be sure to write the complete question and answer each question in a complete sentence. Put these items in your Summer Reading folder. This folder of summer reading work will be due the first week of school.