



Boston Green Academy Summer Reading 2026

BGA Summer Reading Goals:

Prevent reading loss, Encourage pleasure reading, Engage in a shared experience of reading to develop our reading community!

Part 1: Assigned Summer Reading, Due to ELA teacher September 10, 2026

A. Select and read 1 assigned book for your grade level:

6th (Rising 7th)

[Safe Harbor, Venkartaman](#)
[Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults, Kimmerer](#)
[Saving Sunshine, Faruqi](#)

8th (Rising 9th)

[Punching the Air, Zoboi](#)
[Just Mercy \(YA Adaptation\), Stevenson](#)
[Fights, Gill](#)

10th (Rising 11th)

[Clap When You Land, Acevedo](#)
[Accountable, Slater](#)
[Big Jim and the White Boy: An American Classic Reimagined, Walker](#)

7th (Rising 8th)

[King of the Neuro Verse, Goodwin](#)
[Global, Colfer & Donkin](#)
[Miss Quinces, Fajardo](#)

9th (Rising 10th)

[A Long Way Down, Reynolds](#)
[Rough Sleepers, Kidder](#)
[Lore Olympus, Smythe](#)

11th (Rising 12th)

[American Street, Zoboi](#)
[The Power of Style, Allaire](#)
[Just Another Story: A Graphic Migration Account, Saade](#)

B. Complete the “Assigned Book Reflection” (attached to this packet))

Part 2: Independent Reading Reflection, Due to ELA teacher September 10, 2026

Optional for Extra Credit: Read an additional book of your choice this summer and complete the Independent Reading Reflection (attached to this packet)

BGA Summer Reading will be graded by your **ELA teacher**, and is included as your first **summative grade** for their class.

Summer Reading books do NOT need to be purchased. Try checking your local branch of the [Boston Public Library](#) or at [Soraapp.com](#) (login through Clever, School: Boston Public Schools) to find a copy!



Name: _____

Grade: _____

Part 1: Assigned Book Reflection, Due to ELA teacher September 10, 2026

Read the assigned book for your grade level, and complete this assignment. For more information please visit:

www.bostongreenacademy.org/library

Title of the assigned book you read	Author
In your own words, what is a major theme and/or central argument of this book?	
Find and explain 3 examples from the book that supports your last answer:	Page # you found this example on:
Reflecting on this theme or central argument, please write 3 discussion questions (open ended questions) about this book:	
1. 2. 3.	
How does this theme/central argument connect to the real world and/or your own experiences? Do you think the book portrayed this topic in a realistic and unbiased way?	



Name: _____

Grade: _____

Part 2: Independent Reading Reflection, Due to ELA teacher September 10, 2026

Optional (for Extra Credit): Read an additional book of your choice this summer. For more information about accessing books this summer, go to www.bostongreenacademy.org/library

Title:	Author:
Genre (Mystery, Horror, Biography, Memoir...)	How would you rate this book?
	👎 ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ 👍

In 2-3 sentence, please summarize the book you read in your own words

In your own words, what is a major theme of this book?

Find and explain 3 examples from the book that supports your last answer:

Page # you found this example on:

How does this theme connect to the real world and/or your own experiences? Do you think the book portrayed this topic in a realistic way?