

Summer Coursework for Upcoming 5th Graders

Language Arts and Class-building:

Shoe Box Autobiography -

As a springboard for relationship building, writing and goal setting, each student will create a Shoe Box Autobiography. Every student will need a shoe box to decorate and fill with 3-5 artifacts that symbolize your life and identity. We will begin presenting our autobiography boxes during the first week of school. Once students share their box with their peers and teachers, they will take the artifacts home. Students will be graded on meeting the criteria, quality (did they really put thought into this project), and neatness. The following criteria should be met upon completion of the cereal box.

1 - Outside the box should be covered/decorated with your favorite color paper.

The following should be represented on the top of the shoebox:

- Your name
- Favorite picture of yourself

The following should be represented on the four remaining faces (sides) of the box:

- Your strengths (what are you good at doing)
- Your weaknesses (challenges you have)
- Your family stories
- The future: hopes, dreams, goals
- Pictures or printed words of your “favorites” (music, food, movies, etc.)

You may write or use drawings, photographs, magazines, or newspaper cut-outs to communicate the above five categories.

2 – Inside the box should have 3-5 artifacts, or objects, that that symbolizes your life and identity. These items may include (but not limited to) awards, sentimental memorabilia, clothing, etc. However, you may not place pets, valuables, or perishable items inside the box.

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Reading Assignment

1. Students need to log on **for at least 45 minutes per week** on the i-Ready reading program at <https://login.i-ready.com> and vocabulary or comprehension lessons. Teachers are looking for *passed/completed* lessons. We want your pass rate average to be at least 80% or higher. Please do this for a minimum of 8 weeks during your summer break.

2. Read and keep a running log (list of the titles) of your Accelerated Reader books that you read over the summer. You may begin taking AR tests the first week of school so you will be on your way to success in reaching your personal or school-wide Accelerated Reader goal.

(see example of logging your books)

Date Completed: Title of book:

Math:

Students need to log onto i-Ready MATH. Please do this for a minimum of 8 weeks over the summer break. The students know their username and passwords (the password is the same for both reading and math). This summer, please log on each **week for a minimum of 45 minutes** to complete math lessons at <https://login.i-ready.com> . We would like your pass rate to be 80% or higher.

Also, multiplication and division facts to 12 should be memorized and refreshed over the summer.

If you are new to Berkley, or if you lost your username and password, please email deanna.brewer@berkeleyknights.net and she will provide you with a username and password to the program i-Ready.

***Students can earn BEST KNIGHT STAMPS for completing weekly math and reading i-Ready minutes. (You'll learn about BEST KNIGHT STAMPS on your first week of school).**

