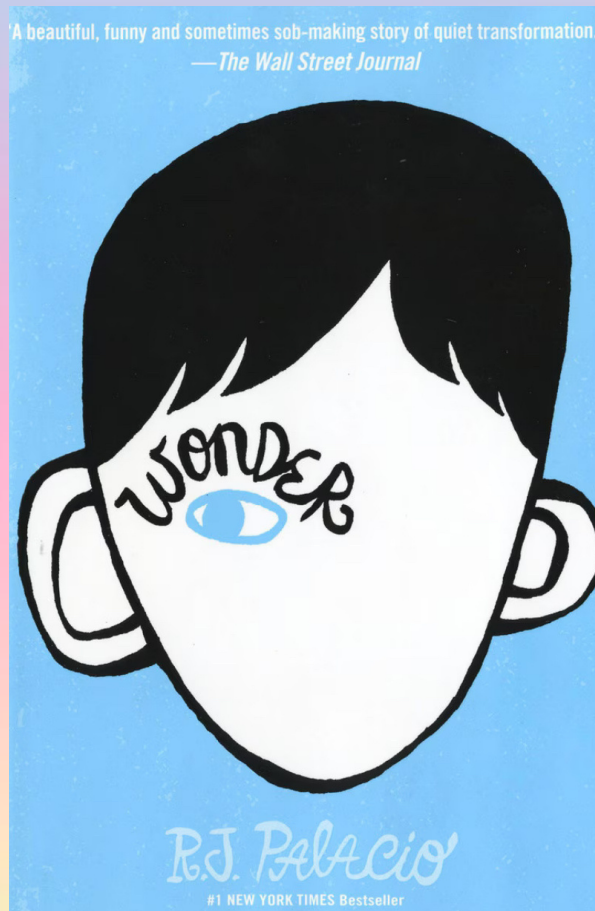


SUMMER READING PACKET



Dear Parents,

This summer, students are required to read “Wonder” by R.J. Palacio. Attached you will find worksheets designed to support your child’s understanding and reading comprehension—an essential skill for success in 5th grade. These worksheets will be collected at the beginning of the year and graded as test assignments. All questions will be based directly on the reading. Wonder is a beautiful and engaging book that we hope will make summer reading both enjoyable and meaningful for your child. Thank you for your support in continuing your child’s academic growth.

Warm regards,

MS. Perez

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Ordinary (Chapter 1)

1. *How old is August?*

- a. 9 years old b. 10 years old c. 11 years old

2. *Describe how August thinks of himself. Does he think he is ordinary or not ordinary?*

Why I Didn't Go to School (Chapter 2)

1. *Why hasn't August been to school before?*

- a. because of how he looks b. because he had a lot of surgeries
c. because he was sick a lot d. b and c

2. *Where do August and his family live?*

How I Came to Life (Chapter 3)

1. *How did the nurses and the doctor react when August was born?*

2. *Explain how Mom reacts when she first sees August.*

What does this tell you about her?

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Christopher's House (Chapter 4)

1. *How does August react when he first learns that his mom wants him to go to school?*
 - a. *He was excited about going to school.*
 - b. *He started crying.*
 - c. *He said that he didn't want to go to school.*
 - d. *He asked if he could go to Christopher's school.*

Driving (Chapter 5)

1. *What do you think the phrase "a lamb to the slaughter" means?*

2. *How do August's mom and dad try to make him feel better?*

Paging Mr. Tushman (Chapter 6)

1. *How would you describe Mr. Tushman?*

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Nice Mrs. Garcia (Chapter 7)

1. *How did Mrs. Garcia act when she first met August?*

- a. *She dropped her eyes for a second, but then smiled and shook his hand.*
- b. *She just smiled at him with a shiny smile.*
- c. *She didn't look at August.*
- d. *She acted very rude to August.*

Jack Will, Julian, and Charlotte (Chapter 8)

1. *Reread the following sentences from the chapter.*

Mr. Tushman was suddenly right in front of me, his hands on my shoulders. He leaned down and said very softly in my ear: "It'll be okay, August. These are nice kids, I promise."

What does this quote tell you about Mr. Tushman?

2. *How did August's mom act as he was leaving for the tour?*

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The Grand Tour (Chapter 9) and The Performance Space (Chapter 10)

1. Fill in the chart below with your first impressions of each character.
Use specific evidence from the text to support your answers.

Character	My First Impression
<i>Jack</i>	
<i>Jul i an</i>	
<i>Charlotte</i>	

The Deal (Chapter 11)

1. What is the most likely reason that August used the signal to tell his mom that he wanted to leave?
- He knew that it was getting late and Via needed to be picked up.
 - He was uncomfortable being around Julian.
 - He wanted to go home to see his dad.
 - He didn't like Charlotte or Jack.

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Home (Chapter 12)

1. Reread the following sentence from the chapter.

I felt very sad and a tiny bit happy at the exact same time, kind of like that laughing-crying feeling all over again.

Why do you think August feels this way?

First-Day Jitters (Chapter 13)

1. As the first day of school gets closer, how do Mom and Dad's feelings about August going to school change?

- a. Both Mom and Dad wanted August to go to school.
- b. Both Mom and Dad did not want August to go to school.
- c. Mom thought that August should go, and Dad thought that he shouldn't go.
- d. Dad thought that August should go, and Mom thought that he shouldn't go.

2. What advice does Via give to August as they are walking to school?

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Locks (Chapter 14)

1. *What does Henry do when he is told to sit next to August?*

Around the Room (Chapter 15)

1. *What did Ms. Petosa tell the class about herself?*

Lamb to the Slaughter (Chapter 16)

1. *What does August share about himself?*

2. *Who is August's favorite Star Wars character?*

- a. *Darth Vader* b. *Jango Fett* c. *Darth Sidious* d. *Padawan*

3. *Why does Julian ask if August likes Darth Sidious?*

- a. *Julian is genuinely interested in Star Wars and is trying to connect with August.*
b. *Julian's favorite character is Darth Sidious.*
c. *Julian is making fun of August because Darth Sidious has a deformed face.*
d. *Julian's favorite movie is also Star Wars.*

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Choose Kind (Chapter 17)

1. *What is a precept?*

- a. *a rule about an important thing*
- b. *something you do before class*
- c. *a funny saying*
- d. *quote from someone famous*

2. *Mr. Browne's September precept is "When given the choice between being right or being kind, choose kind." What do you think this precept means?*

Lunch (Chapter 18)

Reread the following sentences from the chapter. Answer the two questions below based on these sentences.

*I eat like a tortoise, if you've ever seen a tortoise eating.
Like some prehistoric swamp thing.*

1. *A simile is a figure of speech that compares two things that are not normally alike using the words like or as. A metaphor is a figure of speech that describes one thing as something else.*

Which figure of speech is used in the sentences above? _____

2. *What two things are being compared in the sentences above?*

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The Summer Table (Chapter 19)

1. *Describe the new character in this chapter, Summer. What is your opinion of her so far?*

One to Ten (Chapter 20)

1. *Why is “One to Ten” a good title for this chapter?*

2. *Which quote from the text below best supports the idea that August didn't want to talk to Mom on the walk home?*

- a. *“Five,’ I said, shrugging, which I could tell totally surprised her.”*
- b. *“I could tell she had a million questions she wanted to ask me.”*
- c. *“Yeah, I know,’ I answered. ‘We’re kind of like Beauty and the Beast.’”*
- d. *“I didn’t wait to see Mom’s reaction. I just started running down the sidewalk after the rock, which I had kicked as hard as I could in front of me.”*

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Padawan (Chapter 21)

1. *Why do you think Via reacted so strongly when August cut off his braid?*

2. *How do Mom and Dad support August in this chapter?*

Wake Me Up When September Ends (Chapter 22)

1. *Why is September so hard for August? Fill in the organizer with reasons why September was a challenging month.*

September challenges		
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Jack Will (Chapter 23)

1. Reread the following sentence from the chapter.

This time the two of us were laughing so much we couldn't stop, even after Mr. Roche came over and made us both switch chairs with the kids next to us.

What does this sentence tell you about the relationship between August and Jack?

Mr. Browne's October Precept (Chapter 24)

1. What was Mr. Browne's October precept?

Apples (Chapter 25)

1. Why do you think having a lot of people at his birthday party is important to August?

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2. Reread the following sentences from the chapter.

“What did Julian give as his reason?”

“You know,” said Mom, “his mom was the only person who didn’t RSVP at all.” She looked at me. “I guess the apple doesn’t fall far from the tree.”

What does Mom mean when she says, “I guess the apple doesn’t fall far from the tree”?

- a. Julian and his mom are similar because they have both done unkind things.
- b. Julian is very different from his mom.
- c. Julian couldn’t go to the birthday party because he was apple picking.
- d. Mom is telling a joke that August doesn’t understand.

Halloween (Chapter 26)

1. At the end of this chapter, Summer tells August, “I feel like I can tell you anything.”

Why do you think Summer feels this way about August?

School Pictures (Chapter 27)

1. What is the best definition for the word *aversion*, as it is used in this chapter?

- a. a strong love for something
- b. a strong hate for something
- c. a fear of something
- d. turning away from something

2. How did the photographer act when he saw August in the class picture?

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The Cheese Touch (Chapter 28)

1. *Explain what August means when he says, “At Beecher Prep, I’m the old moldy cheese.”*

Costumes (Chapter 29)

1. *How does August feel about Halloween? Why does he feel this way?*

The Bleeding Scream (Chapter 30)

1. *In this chapter, who was in the mummy costume?*

- a. *Henry*
- b. *Julian*
- c. *Jack*
- d. *Miles*

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2. *As the reader, how did you feel when you found out who was wearing the mummy costume? Why did you feel that way?*

Names (Chapter 31)

1. *Why do you think August doesn't tell his mom what really happened at school?*
