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## Palmetto Charter School Middle School Summer Assignment – Rising to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Part I Instructions:

- **Read the novel *Inside Out and Back Again* by Thanhha Lai**
- Write a five-paragraph essay based on the book according to the prompt below.

**Writing prompt:** *How has Ha's life been turned inside out and back again? Support your assertions with evidence from the text.*

### Your essay must include:

- An introductory paragraph that contains a hook, the title and author of the book, and a claim with three reasons that answer the prompt. (10 points)
- Three body paragraphs that each begin with a clear topic sentence, 5-7 sentences of details from the text and explanations supporting one of three reasons, and a concluding sentence. (30 points)
- A conclusion paragraph that summarizes your essay and restates your claim. (10 points)
- Follows correct spelling, grammar, and punctuation. (10 points)
- You may **neatly** handwrite or type your essay.

### Part II Instructions:

- **Read another fiction book of your choice.** Do not read a book in which you have already taken an AR test. If you aren't sure, don't read it.
  - The book must be at least a 4.0 or higher reading level and at least 100 pages long.
  - A list of suggested books per grade is posted on pcsfl.org.
  - Use ARBookfinder.com to determine if an AR quiz is available for your book ***BEFORE*** you read it.
  - **Complete the attached book information card** to help you remember the fiction book. (25 points)
  - When you return to school in the fall, **be prepared to take an AR test** for each book and turn in your completed attachments. (50 points each AR test)
  - You may read your yearly classic novel this summer. A suggested list is posted on pcsfl.org.
- Extra Credit Option
- You may read more than two books to earn extra credit. You must pass the AR test to earn extra credit and complete information cards for each book. Maximum two extra books/20 points extra credit.

### Part III Instructions:

- **Practice your cursive handwriting** by completing the attached packet. The dotted lines should be completed as well as the blank lines.
  - Complete all parts of the packet for full credit. (50 points)
- Extra Credit Option
- Download and print additional cursive writing pages from the internet. Complete up to 10 pages of additional cursive practice for a maximum of 10 points extra credit.
  - Attach extra practice to your summer assignment.

**\*\* Your summer reading assignment is due Friday, August 11, 2023. \*\***

Email questions about your summer assignment to Mrs. Foust at [bfoust@pcsfl.org](mailto:bfoust@pcsfl.org).  
Additional summer assignment packets/pages can be found on [pcsfl.org](http://pcsfl.org).