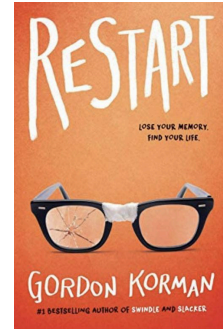


## All Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Graders:

### Assignment #1, Read and Journal:

It was with thoughtful consideration, that we have chosen the book *Restart* by Gordon Korman as the Rising 6th-grade summer reading.



### Google Doc or Hand Written Journaling Instructions:

1. Read the book.
2. Divide your novel into four (4) equal sections. Choose one meaningful passage from each of the 4 sections of your novel; quote it and write the page number of the passage.  
(For example, if the book has 240 pages ...  $240/4=60$ . This example shows you should write a response every 60 pages.)
3. Next, use one prompt below per journal entry to give your personal insight (NOT a summary) for each of the four passages. Provide a word count at the end. (Use the following examples only once so that you have a variety of four responses.)
  - a. This passage is important because...
  - b. This passage reveals the character's...
  - c. This passage fits with the book as a whole since...
  - d. Christians can relate to this quote because...
  - e. This excerpt makes me feel (angry/sympathetic/confused etc.) because...
  - f. The author does a good/bad job of...
  - g. This character exhibits the quality of courage (honesty, etc.) ...
  - h. The point the author wants to make here is...
  - i. I have felt the same emotions as this character when...
  - j. The author uses the literary device of (imagery/symbolism/theme etc.)...
  - k. This setting is significant because...
  - l. I agree/disagree with this character's decision because...
  - m. This is exciting /boring because...

**\*Each personal insight from #3 should be no less than 50 words in length. You should have a total of four entries/slides.**
4. Submit the **printed** assignment on the first day of school to your 6th grade ELA teacher
5. Be sure your name is on the assignment!

**Example of an Insightful Entry: Be sure to put quotation marks around the passage and give the page number.**

**Passage Chosen: Section One**

“Fire swamps are, of course, entirely misnamed...Simply, they are swamps that contain a large percentage of sulfur and other gas bubbles that burst continually into flames. They are covered with lush giant trees that shadow the ground, making the flame burst seems particularly dramatic. Because they are dark, they are almost always quite moist, thereby attracting the standard insect and alligator community that prefers a moist climate” (19).

**My Response:** (Please be sure to double space when typing, or skip lines when writing)

The author uses imagery in this passage as he describes the fire swamps. The writing is so powerful that I could see in my mind a huge, dark swamp similar to something out of a fairy tale, only with jets of flames popping up. The author also does a great job of describing the swamps and why they were such a terror to their prey. This would definitely not be a place to take a leisurely swim! (76 words)

**Assignment #2:Alternate Book Cover**

You will create an alternate book cover on a half sheet of computer paper. Be sure to include all the details (title, author’s name, and a poignant quote from the novel) that should appear on the cover. The art, color choices, and details should all have a meaning. This should be hand-drawn with color. Be sure to put your name on the back of the cover.