



NEW EXPLORATIONS INTO SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY + MATH

7th Grade Summer Assignment 2019

Dear Students,

We are excited to announce our NEST+m K-12 shared summer reading adventure. We will read *My Beloved World* by Sonia Sotomayor, a candid and intimate memoir of the first Hispanic and third woman appointed to the United States Supreme Court. In this book, Sotomayor recounts her life from a Bronx housing project to the federal bench. Hers is a journey that offers an inspiring tribute to one's extraordinary determination and shows readers the powerful effect of believing in oneself. Please read this book over the summer and be ready to discuss it in September! Happy reading!

Tip: Sometimes when you read a book in June, you forget it by September. To keep the information fresh in your mind, take notes and refresh your memory by reviewing the key details before school begins. We suggest that you use post it notes to identify and record key events in the novel.

Book: *My Beloved World* (Adult Edition OR the Young Readers Edition). This is widely available in public libraries and bookstores.

Author: Sonia Sotomayor

Assignment: Write a letter to a 4th grade student

Due: Friday, September 13, 2019

Please follow this format for your letter.

- Paragraph 1: Introduce yourself! Tell your pen pal where you were when you read the book, share details about your summer or let them know about your favorite things to do.
- Paragraph 2 : Describe the scene in the book that most stood out to you and explain why you chose it. Use at least two specific details from the book.
- Paragraph 3: Tell the reader what lesson you took from this book. You can make connections to your own life or other books you've read to help explain the lesson. Again, be sure to use two details from the story.
- Conclusion: Wrap up with your final thoughts and two questions for your pen pal: one personal question and one about the book.

Format: If you can, please type your letter. It should be no longer than 2 pages, double spaced, Times New Roman. If you don't have a computer at home, camp or on vacation, please write neatly and leave space for comments or revisions.