



FAITH CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL

SEVENTH GRADE SUMMER READING 2024

Complete the following two assignments to turn in on the first day of school.

1. Each student will read *The Golden Fleece: and the Heroes Who Lived Before Achilles* by **Padraic Colum** (ISBN 978-0689868849). The class will be discussing this book in preparation for the study of ancient literature.

Please compose a paragraph, to be handed in the first day of class, with the following information:

- Title
- Author
- A brief summary of the plot (5-7 sentences)
- A description of three main characters in the book (2-3 sentences per character)
- One-two sentences telling whether or not the student would recommend the book to other readers, and why or why not

The paper may be typed or neatly handwritten using **black or blue ink only**.

The following criteria will be used to grade this assignment:

- a. The student's name appears in the top left corner of the paper. (2 points)
- b. The paper summarizes the plot. (10 points)
- c. The paper contains a description of three main characters. (9 points)
- d. The paper contains three sentences telling whether or not the student would recommend the book, and why or why not. (6 points)
- e. The paper is typed or neatly handwritten using black or blue ink, and includes the pledge of integrity. (5 points)
- f. Correct spelling and capitalization are used. (3 points)

Students should affirm the integrity of their work by writing the following pledge on each this assignment and signing it:

I have read this whole book, and all written work is my own.

2. Each student will also complete the online keyboarding course at www.typing.com. We are asking that students complete the course and **turn in a 1 minute and 3 minute test result on the first day of school**. To become proficient

at typing, students should be spending at least 15 minutes three times a week working towards completing the course and proficiency in typing (20-30 words per minute with 90% accuracy.)
