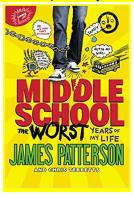
### 6th Grade Summer Reading

Students will choose **one (1)** of the novels to read and complete the discussion questions for that novel. Students are required to get their own copy of the chosen novel on their own, students may locate the book through the Bergen County library system. Each student must also complete the discussion questions and writing assignment. Reading one of the books is required, however, feel free to read all three! These are great books!

# <u>Choice 1: Middle School: The Worst Years of My</u>

Life (Series Book #1) by: James Patterson



### **Book Summary:**

When Rafe Kane enters middle school, he teams up with his best friend, "Leo the Silent," to create a game to make school more fun by trying to break every rule in the school's code of conduct.

### **Book Information:**

Author: Patterson, James

ISBN: 9780316101875, or 9780316101691 (pbk.)

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# Choice 2: Get Me Out of Here (Series Book #2) by: James Patterson



# **Book Summary:**

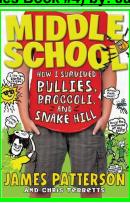
After surviving sixth grade, Rafe expects seventh grade to be a fun zone because he has been accepted to art school in the big city, but when he discovers it is more competitive than he expected, he sets out to turn his boring life into the inspiration for a work of art.

### **Book Information:**

Author: Patterson, James ISBN: 9780316206716

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# Choice 3: How I Survived Bullies, Broccoli and Snake Hill (Series Book #4) by: James Patterson



### **Book Summary:**

When Rafe Khatchadorian is sent to Camp Wannamorra, he teams up with his bunk mates to fend off the more "popular" kids' plans to ruin their summer.

# **Book Information:**

Author: Patterson, James

ISBN: 9780316231756 (hardback), 9780316248297 (International), 9780316505130

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Each book has discussion questions. You must answer the discussion questions for the book you completed and then complete the written activity. The discussion questions can be completed on a separate sheet of paper or completed and done in the separate assignment on Google Classroom.

#### **Discussion Questions**

Choice 1: Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life	Choice 2: Get Me Out of Here	Choice 3: How I Survived Bullies, Broccoli and Snake Hill
One of Rafe's biggest challenges is the harassment of Miller the Killer. What could Rafe do to get on the good side of a kid who only has bad sides? What are some of the strategies Rafe employs? Why don't they work to help keep Miller off Rafe's back?	Leaving your home and moving means being the new kid in a school where you don't know anyone - always a difficult situation. How does Rafe adjust to his new school? What are Rafe's biggest fears about moving to the city? What are his biggest disappointments about leaving Hills Village?	What connection does Rafe make with Norman, the Booger Eater? How does Rafe's first impression of Norman change? What does Rafe learn about himself as a result of his relationship with Norman?
Rafe sees the Student Code of Conduct as a long list of all the ways he probably will get in trouble before the end of the school year (page 21). What other ways could he view the handbook? Why do students choose to or choose not to behave appropriately at school? What impact does a Student Code of Conduct have on student behaviour?	When Rafe tells the truth about whose backpack held the stolen pen, Matty turns on him and, even worse, Matty uses private information Rafe shared in order to humiliate Rafe. What is Rafe's immediate response?	What actions does Rafe take to make changes in 'the way it's always been' at Camp Wannnamorra? What role do his fellow cabin-mates play in Rafe's attempts to make changes? How does Georgia help Rafe?
How does Rafe break his no-hurt rule by his antics on Halloween? Whom does he hurt? What decision does he make as a result of the pain he inflicts?	How is moving back to Hills Village a positive move for everyone in Rafe's family? What do they learn from their time spent in the big city?	How is Rafe the hero of Camp Wannamorra? Why doesn't he tell his mum or anyone else the truth about what really happened?

# **Written Activity:**

Use the questions below as a pre-write:

- 1. Why is it important to think about the future?
- 2.Discuss three goals you would like to achieve by next year?

### Assignment:

Write your very own letter addressed to yourself, which can only be opened in a year. Think about **where** you want to be, **what** you want to have achieved and **how** you are going to do this.

Just like Rafe, think about your friends and family too!

You can write this in your Summer Reading Google Classroom or hand it in on paper, sealed in an envelope with your name on it.

Have fun!