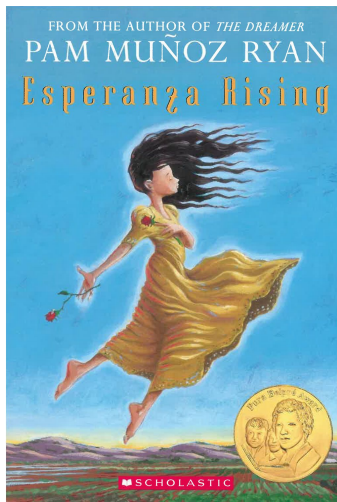


Incoming 6th Grade Summer Reading Project



Esperanza Rising

Papa and Abuelita would always be with her. But a sudden tragedy shatters her world and Esperanza and Mama flee to California, where they settle in a camp for Mexican farmworkers. Esperanza isn't ready for the hard labor, financial struggles brought on by the Great Depression, and lack of acceptance she now faces.

Summer Reading Assignment

For your summer reading assignment, you will be reading *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Muñoz Ryan. Using a pencil and paper, write a summary for each chapter including major events, conflicts, and characters. Be sure to label each of the fourteen chapters with its title. If you wish to type your summaries, please use Google Documents and email them to one of the addresses below when you have finished. You will use these notes to take an exam on the book during your first week of school. This will count as your first grade at Esperanza Charter Academy.

A limited number of copies are available for purchase from Esperanza for \$5 or purchase at any bookstore, including [Amazon](#). A [digital copy](#) is available on the Esperanza Academy school website.

If you have questions, please email one of the 6th grade ELA teachers.

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Here is a sample of a simple summary technique called Someone, Wanted, But, So/Then

<p>Someone</p> <p>Esperanza</p>	<p>Wanted</p> <p>to go to the fiesta</p>
<p>But</p> <p>Marta was ruining the party by yelling about going on strike</p>	<p>So/Then</p> <p>Isabel explained why Marta was so angry and Esperanza and Mama talked about what they missed about home.</p>

Las Almendras