

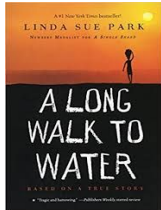
Grade 7 English Language Arts Novels
2018-2019

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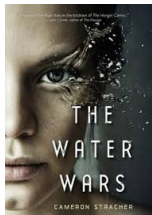
Next year seventh graders will be reading two novels that correlate with the Project Based Learning they will do. In order for students to practice the close reading strategies that they have been learning, they will need their own novels. Students will highlight and annotate in their novels as an effective way to analyze complex text--a practice they started at STEAM as 6th graders. You can purchase the books yourself from any bookstore like Barnes and Noble as well as online through Amazon (I purchased my own copies "used" on Amazon for a very discounted rate).

While I highly recommend purchasing individual copies of each, I understand it may not be financially possible for everyone. Students who do not have their own copies when we begin reading will have the option to check them out of our school's library. Books checked out of our library CANNOT be highlighted or annotated, which is why purchasing their own copies will maximize student achievement with these texts.

***A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park (ISBN 978-0-547-57731-9): \$7.99 (5.49 Amazon)**



***The Water Wars* by Cameron Stracher (ISBN 978-1-4022-6759-8) \$10.99 (9.89 Amazon)**



Please let me know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns by emailing me at spardee@erusd.org.

I hope you will be able to secure these books over the summer. Thank you and I look forward to working with you and your child,

Summer Pardee, 7th Grade ELA