

## 2023 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Standard Literature Summer Assignment

1. Each student must read [The Red Badge of Courage](#) by Stephen Crane and write/type a 150 word book summary.
2. Choose one of the following and complete the assignment below.
  - [The Lost Hero](#) (Heroes of Olympus Book 1) by Rick Riordan
  - [20,000 Leagues Under the Sea](#) by Jules Verne

### *Assignment:*

Students should select a key theme (life lesson) and write a 250 word argumentative essay offering the importance of that theme to the novel.

For example, a theme from Hans Christian Anderson's *The Ugly Duckling* may be that one must have courage to find who they are meant to be.

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*Please contact Coach Newman [bnewman@ecseagles.com](mailto:bnewman@ecseagles.com) with any questions about the assigned Book Summary or 250-Word Essay.*