



June 10, 2019

Dear 7th Grade Students,

The assigned Summer 2019 reading for rising 7th grade English Language Arts (ELA) students is *Uglies* by Scott Westerfeld. As your knowledge and awareness of yourself and your world continues to expand and grow, you are probably finding that you are making more individual decisions that have greater impact on you and your world. Each choice you make takes you on a journey. Every decision has its rewards and consequences.

As you have come to appreciate, the development of your inner core (character) is highly valued at Carden. Your individuality is celebrated. However, imagine a post-America dystopian world where your appearance provides you with everything you “think” you need to lead a charmed life. Is there such a thing as a perfect society?

Please plan your summer ELA assignment so that you are successful in completing the reading and activities at your leisure. Before school starts:

1. finish completing the attached pages.
2. Bring your book and assignments to class on the first day of school.
3. You will be completing assignments and assessments based on the book.
4. *Uglies* is available at Barnes and Noble and other online sources such as Amazon.

Have a great summer! Please contact me at ssprague@cardenarborview.org with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Shelley Sprague'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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WHO I AM

SELF PORTRAIT

Full name	My culture
My hobbies, extracurricular activities	MY FAMILY
Graduating class	
BIRTHDAY	

An accomplishment I am proud of

I have never....

Where I spend my free time

Person I look up to the most

Places I have lived

Most memorable recent event

Qualities of a good teacher

Favorite childhood memories

Favorites

MUSIC

CLASS SUBJECTS

SPORT/TEAM

MOVIE

BOOK/MUSIC

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Text-to-Text, Text-to-Self, Text-to-World Handout

Use the copy of the text provided by your teacher to make any notes. Read the text once, and then read it again to find ideas that you can use to answer the following questions.

1. **Text-to-Text:** How do the ideas in this text remind you of another text (story, book, movie, song, etc)? Complete one of the following statements:

What I just read reminds me of _____ (story/book/movie/song) because...

The ideas in this text are similar to the ideas in _____ because...

The ideas in this text are different than the ideas in _____ because...

2. **Text-to-Self:** How do the ideas in this text relate to your own life, ideas, and experiences? Complete one of the following statements:

What I just read reminds me of the time when I...

I agree with/understand what I just read because in my own life...

I don't agree with what I just read because in my own life...

3. **Text-to-World:** How do the ideas in this text reading relate to the larger world—past, present and future. Complete one of the following statements:

What I just read makes me think about _____ (event from the past) because...

What I just read makes me think about _____ (event from today related to my own community, nation or world) because...

What I just read makes me wonder about the future because...