

8th Grade Summer Reading Assignment

Salt to the Sea

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Pre-reading assignment. **Respond to the following prompts prior to reading the novel, *Salt to the Sea*.** Upon completing the reading, reread your pre-reading responses, and **record any changes to your initial responses.** Do not erase your initial responses--use a different font color to record new responses after you read the novel. Record your responses in a Google Doc.

Summer work will be collected the first week of school. Test to follow in late August. We will discuss the test content when we return from break.

“The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.”

---JFK

What does this quote mean to you? Do you agree with the statement? Why or why not?

Explain what “freedom” mean to you?

What is an alliance?

Why do people and countries form alliances?

How is an alliance different from a friendship?

What role do you think alliances may have played in WWII?

Explain what your definition of a hero is? What qualities does a “hero” have, in your opinion?

Provide an example of an everyday act of heroism.

Explain what this quote means to you...“A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles.” - Christopher Reeves