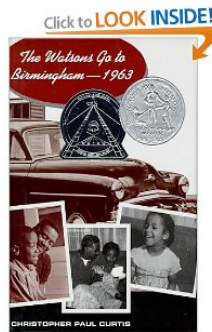


Summer Reading

Students will be reading the Newbery Honor Book,
The Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963, by Christopher Paul Curtis.

The year is 1963. In Detroit, ten year old Kenny listens to his mother tell stories of growing up in Birmingham, Alabama. But, it is ten year old Kenny who tells the story of this play. When getting into trouble kind of trouble), the whole Kenny and Joetta - decide Sands in Birmingham. If straighten up, it's the whole family sets out trip across America in Bomber." When they make it to Birmingham, however, they find much more than they bargained for. They are shocked to discover (or re-discover) the racism that was running rampant in 1963.



Assignment:

After reading the novel, students will type a two page, double-spaced, 12 pt. font (Times New Roman) summary of the novel. The summary should focus on characters, plot, setting, and theme. This report is due the first week of school.