Titles for CP English 9 Summer Reading

*Forged by Fire* by Sharon Draper

*Heaven Is for Real* by Todd Burpo

Feel free to share the expense of books with your friends who will be in the same class or take these out from the library.

**DO NOT GOOGLE THESE ANSWERS! USE YOUR IDEAS AND IMAGINATION, BASED ON WHAT YOU READ.**

Use complete sentences.

To show that you have read *Forged by Fire* by Sharon Draper, complete your choice of 3 of the 4 following assignments by the first day of school.

1. Create a time line of events in the novel. Show at least 10 events that you feel are the most important to the novel. On the time line, explain why these events have the most impact on the novel.
2. Write a persuasive letter to Monique or Jordan to convince them to change their ways in how they treat their children. Write at least one page (can be handwritten).
3. Imagine a conversation between Aunt Queen and Angel or Aunt Queen and Gerald. What advice would she give the kids during their worst problems with Monique and Jordan? What else would she say to them? Write at least 3 paragraphs (can be handwritten).
4. How did you feel as you read the novel? Describe your emotions as you read about Gerald’s life, Angel’s abuse, and the way Jordan finally was stopped. List specific examples from the book. Write at least one page (can be handwritten).

To show that you have read *Heaven Is for Real* by Todd Burpo, complete the following assignment by the first day of school.

Respond in complete sentences to the following questions.

1. Colton was 4 when he visited heaven. How do you think his descriptions of heaven, Jesus, and other aspects of his visit might have been different if he had been 14 or 15 when he had the experience?
2. How does what Colton says about heaven match up with what you believe about heaven? How is it different?
3. Do you believe that Colton really experienced what he said he did? What evidence from the book convinces you or causes you to doubt?
4. How does Colton express the concept of the Trinity? How does this match with what you believe or differ from it?

5. If you could ask Colton a question about his heaven that was not discussed in the book, what would it be? Why do you want to know the answer?

6. This book has inspired many readers to become Christians. Did this book strengthen your faith? Explain your answer.