

# Welcome to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade!!

Want to be successful in school? Reading is the best way to keep your brain in shape over the summer vacation. I hope you will spend a lot of time reading this summer and enjoy doing so!

Below are the reading requirements for all incoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders:

1. Read Everything for a Dog by Ann M. Martin and complete the “Character Map” activity (attached).
2. Keep a reading log (attached) of all other books you read over the summer. You should try to read *at least* 1-2 hours a week (20-30 minutes a day, three times a week).

Your assignments will be due during the first week of school. Please make sure to do your best work and don't forget to put your name on your assignments. These will be your first grades of the new school year! 😊

I hope you have a wonderful vacation, and I look forward to discussing all the wonderful adventures you will experience through reading this summer. Happy Reading!!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Hollis

# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading

Every entering 5<sup>th</sup> grader must read:

## Everything for a Dog by Ann M. Martin

Students will complete the Character Map activity for the novel, which is due on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>.

All students are expected to read for 20 minutes a day, at least three days a week during the summer and complete the Summer Reading Log for all additional books and materials read. Summer Reading Logs are also due on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Character Map Activity**

Directions:

1. Read Everything for a Dog by Ann M. Martin.
2. As you are reading, take note of examples or events when Charlie, Henry or Bone (the main characters) exhibit the core virtues: justice, fortitude, prudence, and temperance.
3. On the character map use quotes, actions, thoughts, or other evidence from the novel to support how Charlie or Henry or Bone exhibited each of the virtues throughout the book.
4. Try to add as much detail as possible and vary your examples.

#### The Core Virtues

**Prudence:** sound judgment; making wise choices; thoughtfulness

**Fortitude:** personal courage in the face of obstacles; persevering

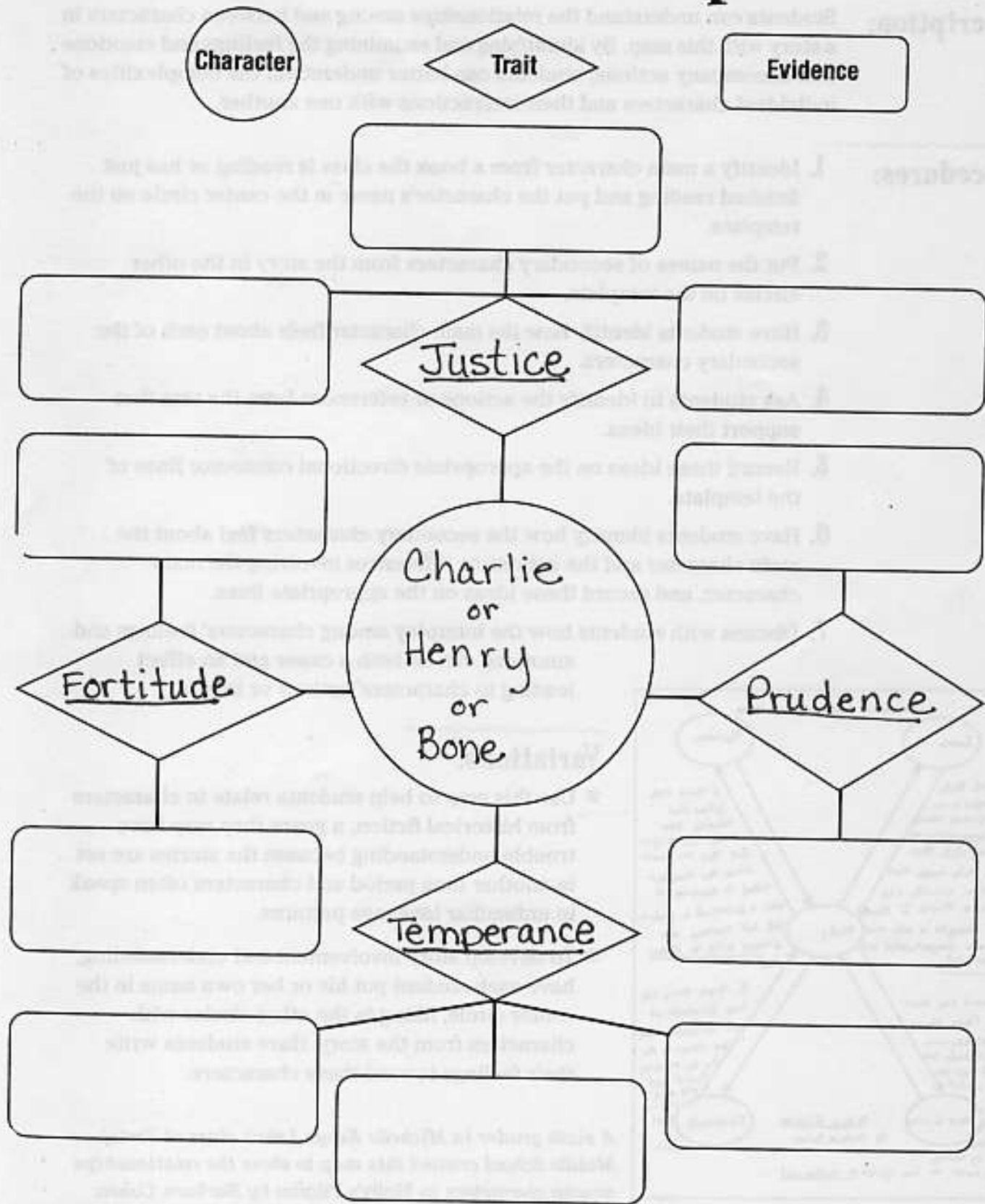
**Justice:** respect and responsibility for the well being of others; fairness

**Temperance:** mastering ourselves and our impulses for the sake of the happiness of those around us; moderation; acting the right way at the right time





# Character Map



Everything for a Dog by Ann M. Martin