

Middle School Summer Reading List
Holy Cross of San Antonio
Grade 7

Book titles: *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan
 Crash by Jerry Spinelli

Due Date: Portfolio is due on the first day of school. Students should be ready to discuss books in class on the first day of school.

Portfolio: Students will include the following assignments in their portfolio to turn in on the first day of school. Students should put their assignments in a folder clearly marked with their name and grade.

- Book 1: *The Lightning Thief*
- Complete worksheet on the gods (on back)
 - Based on your reading, choose an ancient god, research it, and write a one-page character summary about the god.
 - **Include a copy of your article or research with your summary.**

***All writing should be typed, 12-point, double spaced

- Book 2: *Crash*
- Write a one-page book review.
 - Include these elements in your paper:
 - Tell what the book is about (without giving away the ending).
 - What are some key themes from the novel?
 - Would you recommend it to others? Explain why or why not.

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Olympian Gods Activity Sheet

1. Zeus's Roman name was _____ or Jove. The King of the Gods symbols were the _____, _____ tree and the _____. Zeus's shield was called the _____.
2. Juno's Greek name was _____. Her bird was the _____.
3. Poseidon / Neptune was the god of the _____, whose symbols were _____, _____, and _____.
4. Hades/Pluto was the god of the _____ whose fruit was the _____.
6. Athena's Roman name was _____; she was the goddess of the _____ and _____; her symbols were the _____, olive _____, _____ and _____. She made the first _____ for man to use on the horse.
7. Diana's Greek name was _____; she was the goddess of _____, and _____; her symbols were the moon, _____, silver _____ and _____.
8. Apollo was the god of _____, _____ and _____. His symbols were the _____, _____, _____, and the _____ tree.
9. Aphrodite's Roman name was _____; she was the goddess of _____ and _____; her symbols were the _____, _____, and _____.
10. Vulcan's Greek name was _____; he was the god of _____ and _____; his symbols were the _____, and _____.
- 11 Ares' Roman name was _____; as the god of war, his symbols were the _____, _____ and _____.
12. Mercury's Greek name was _____; he was the _____ _____ god and held the office of the _____; the _____ and _____ were his symbols.