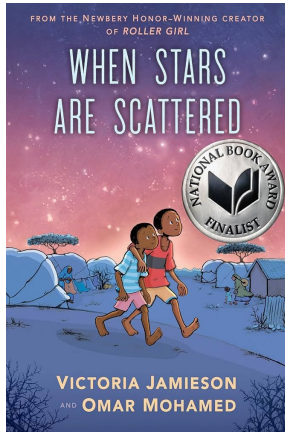


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## Required Reading for Rising 8th-grade Students

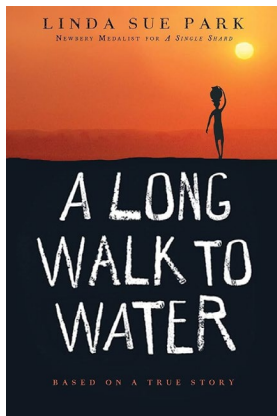
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Students should read ***BOTH*** of the following books prior to the first week of school:



*When Stars Are Scattered*  
by Victoria Jamieson and Omar  
Mohamed  
(Graphic Novel)

**AND**



*A Long Walk to Water*  
by Linda Sue Park

\*Students will be given a multiple-choice quiz within the first week of school to assess their understanding of the stories.

We will also use the books in class to complete a Compare and Contrast writing assignment. Therefore, it is important that students complete their reading **before** the first week of school.