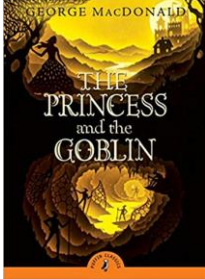


## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade English Summer Reading Assignment**

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***The Princess and the Goblin* by George MacDonald**  
Annotated Chapters = 100 points (Due first day of school)



All rising 8<sup>th</sup> grade students must read the required book for their grade level and complete the following assignment:

- *The Princess and the Goblin* by George MacDonald
- ISBN: 978-0-141-33248-2

Please follow these directions in order to ensure success for this assignment. You will want to pace yourself in order to complete this assignment before school begins. Assignments submitted after the due date will incur a 50% late penalty. Students who enroll at CPS after the first day of school will until the end of September to complete their work.

*The Princess and the Goblin* is a book that inspired J.R.R. Tolkien, author of *The Hobbit*, and many other writers of that time. This story is about eight-year-old Princess Irene in a wild and lonely mountainous region. Unknown to her, a race of goblins lives nearby and wish to take revenge for being banished years ago. As preparation for reading texts throughout the 8<sup>th</sup> grade year, the novel will assist students in analyzing relationships between an individual character and society and how specific dialogue and events in the story propel the plot and character development. We will discuss the novel as a class when you return to school in August, so I am expecting you to do this assignment well in order to contribute to our discussion. You will also take a test on the novel the first week of school.

**Annotated Book Chapters:** You will need to purchase a copy of *The Princess and the Goblin* (ISBN 978-0-141-33248-2) so that you can annotate the text as you read.

- In each chapter, highlight and annotate at least three (separate) sentences that connect ideas or something that you have a question about in the chapter (write in the margin). These annotations might include important information, something new that you learned, something you have a question about, or something that you found interesting.