

**7th Grade Summer Reading**  
**Summer 2026**  
**Mrs. Holli**

Students will be required to read the novel, *Holes* by Louis Sachar and answer the following questions. Questions will be turned in on the first day back to school and one of the following questions will be used as a writing prompt. Both assignments will be graded. Please answer the questions using complete sentences. Answers can be typed or handwritten. I hope you all have a fabulous summer and I am looking forward to a year full of learning and growing!

1. What is Stanley Yelnats like at the beginning of the book? How does Stanley's experience of digging change his physical and mental state? Use specific examples from the text to support your answer.
2. How does Stanley's relationship with Zero change him?
3. Describe the warden. Do you believe she is a villain in this novel or is there a deeper reason for her actions? Use text evidence to support your answer.
4. What is the symbolism of the different items found while digging? Use specific examples from the text.
5. How does the ending of the novel address the themes of justice and fate?

How does Stanley's relationship with Zero change him? **Write about a teacher, coach, or friend who has left an impression on your life. Who are they and what did they do to make you grow and become a better version of yourself?**