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**MIDDLE SCHOOL MANDATORY SUMMER READING FOR SOCIAL STUDIES
STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 7**

TO: Middle School Students and Parents/Guardians

DATE: May 2017

RE: Mandatory Summer Reading for Social Studies

**MANDATORY SUMMER READING PROCEDURE FOR SOCIAL STUDIES FOR
STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 7 & 8 FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR**

- 1. STUDY GUIDES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN LATE MAY/EARLY JUNE.**
- 2. STUDENTS MUST RETURN THE COMPLETED STUDY GUIDE TO THEIR SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH. THIS WILL COUNT AS A QUIZ GRADE. STUDY GUIDES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER SEPTEMBER 8TH UNLESS A STUDENT IS ABSENT. NO OTHER EXCEPTIONS!**
- 3. DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11TH, STUDENTS WILL WRITE AN ESSAY ABOUT THE SUMMER READING BOOK. THIS WILL COUNT AS A TEST GRADE. TEACHERS WILL CREATE THE ESSAY TOPIC. ESSAYS WILL BE WRITTEN IN CLASS.**
- 4. THIS PROCEDURE APPLIES TO 7TH & 8TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES CLASSES DURING THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR.**

Thank you for your support,

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The Wadjet Eye

Jill Rubalcaba

Study Guide

This study guide must be handed in to your social studies teacher no later than September 8, 2017

Name: _____

The Wadjet Eye

by Jill Rubalcaba

Summary: The Wadjet Eye is said to protect all who wear it. Damon will need its protection if he is to survive the treacherous journey to his father—a soldier in Caesar’s army. When his mother dies, Damon leaves peaceful Alexandria for the battlefields of Spain with his friend Artemas as his only companion. Together they’ll fight for their lives against a deadly whirlpool, a vicious shark attack, and the slow agony of starvation. They’ll also have to dodge the dangerous political intrigue surrounding Caesar, Cleopatra, and their enemies.

All this, and Damon doesn’t even know what he’ll say to the father he hasn’t seen in six years. But that will matter only if they find him alive.

Study Guide Questions

These questions must be handed in to your social studies teacher no later than Friday, September 11th.

1. Who was the Pharaoh’s own physician and Damon’s teacher?

2. Why didn’t the embalmer want to touch Damon’s mother?

3. Why doesn’t Damon want to bury his mother in the desert?

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4. Why did Damon send Artemas for ingredients that he really didn't need?

 5. What does the Latin phrase, "*Veni, vidi, vici*" mean?

 6. Why does Artemas not mind having to clean latrines in order to sail on the ship?

 7. Who is watching over Damon's house while he is gone?

 8. What is the custom if a ship is sure to go down?

 9. Why did Artemas and Damon jump off of the ship?

 10. What did they use as a raft?

 11. What happened to the ship?

 12. What happened to the boy?

 13. Why did Damon ask Artemas how many ships he saw?

 14. Why did the captain want Damon to tell Cleopatra that he was a physician?

 15. Who is Ptolemey, and why did Cleopatra want Damon to see him?

 16. What is the name of the man who speaks out against Caesar?

 17. What is the name of the place where the Gladiators battle?

 18. What information does Cicero want Artemas and Damon to give him about Caesar?

19. What did Cleopatra give to Artemas and Damon for safety on their journey to Caesar?

20. According to the man driving the wagon near the tunnel, who is the protector of travelers?

21. While Artemas was bringing wounded me into the tent, who did he find?

22. After Damon met his father, Artemas said he saw Damon do a lot of things, but this was the first time he ever saw him be

23. What is physically wrong with Damon's father?

24. Why is Artemas so excited after he delivered the scroll to Caesar?

25. What did Litigus give to Artemas? Why?
