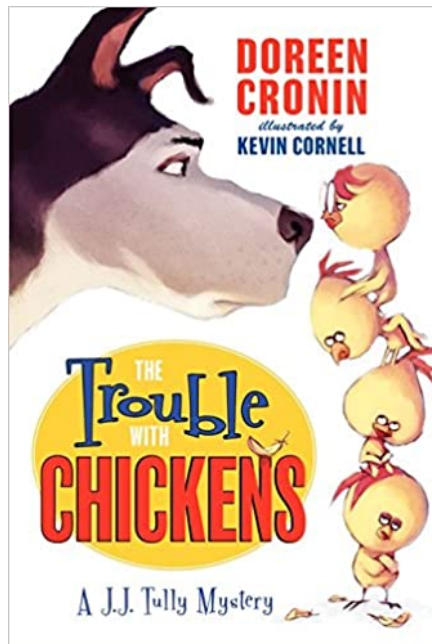


Mannsdale Upper Elementary

3rd Grade Summer Reading 2020-2021



Students must read the book, *The Trouble with Chickens* by Doreen Cronin.




Overview of the book, *The Trouble with Chickens*

A whodunit that will keep readers guessing until the end, this witty farmyard mystery stars a canine detective and a family of crazy chickens that desperately need his help. J.J. Tully is supposed to be enjoying peaceful retirement on a farm, but it's a hard adjustment after seven adrenaline-filled years as a search-and-rescue dog, until his simple life on the farm is turned upside down when two chicks go missing. Moosh, the mother hen, is left with a ransom note and comes to J.J. Tully for help. After negotiating a hamburger out of the deal, J.J. takes the case. But things are not what they seem, and no one is telling the whole truth. Let the bird-brained hunt for the lost peeps begin!

Students will take a quiz on this book on August 21st. This summer reading quiz will count as one of their minor grades (30% grade) for the first nine weeks. The quiz will consist of twenty multiple choice questions that will assess their comprehension of the book.

Students **MAY** want to fill out the graphic organizer below to help them remember the main events in the summer reading book, *The Trouble with Chickens*. Students are **NOT** required to complete this assignment; however, they will be allowed to use this sheet (and their book) when they take the quiz. Teachers **WILL NOT** pick up this optional assignment, so students will be responsible for keeping up with it until the quiz on **August 21, 2020**. This quiz will count as a minor grade (30%) for the first nine weeks term.

Directions: Write down the important events for the chapters. Important events are the main, or key, things that the characters did or had done to them that move and develop the story towards a solution.

Chapters 1-4	Chapters 5-8	Chapters 9-12
		

Chapters 13-16



Chapters 17-20



Chapters 21-23

