

SUMMER READING COURSE LINK

REQUIRED TITLE

COURSE TITLE	American Studies
GRADE	10
TITLE	<i>The Color of Water</i>
AUTHOR	James McBride
GENRE	Non-Fiction

DESCRIPTION

Author James McBride recounts the story of his life as an African-American child growing up with eight brothers and sisters with his single, Jewish, Caucasian mother. He touches upon racial issues, but more importantly, his dedication to his mother. Ruth McBride's heart, values and will keep her faith strong and her dedication to her children even stronger. This American story documents the struggles of life and the conquests of love.

REQUIRED STUDENT RESPONSE

Students will complete a graphic organizer in the shape of an [American flag](#). In each strip, students will first identify the qualities in a chosen character from the novel that classifies that person as an American. Students must use specific details and page numbers as support. In the stars, students will identify the chosen character's "American Dreams."

On the [second flag](#), students will identify the qualities in themselves that classify them as Americans and then identify their own "American Dreams."