

11TH GRADE HONORS SUMMER READING

PART 1: Independent Book Project

Directions: Do some research on a few novels of your choice. Select the book that interests you most for your independent book project.

****Be sure that your book is school appropriate & of novel length**

ONCE YOU HAVE CHOSEN A BOOK, ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. Which book did you select to read for the summer reading assignment?

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2. Explain in 5~7 sentences why you settled on this book out of all of the thousands of books out there. Please include references to the book's title, genre, and length: Also, include details from the front and back cover that caught your attention and convinced you to open it up.

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Reading Assignment:

Directions: There are five prompts on the following pages. For each of them, complete the following two steps:

1. Write the excerpt with the page number.
2. Explain why you chose the quote to satisfy the specific prompt.

Prompt #1: These lines best show what motivates the protagonist.

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Prompt #2: These lines best capture the voice of one of the main characters.

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Prompt #3: Select a moment in the book in which you disagreed with how a character handled a particular situation and/or person.

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Prompt #4: If you had to wrap up the entire story in one quotation taken from the book itself, it would be this one.

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Prompt #5: What real life people or events are you reminded of by characters or events in this story?

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Writing Assignment:

Directions: After you have finished reading your book, choose one of the following prompts and write an informal response.

A. **Shifting Perspective**

Choose another perspective from which to look at the series of events in the book. You may choose a person from within the text, or you may choose a real person from outside the text. Tell how and why the story is told from that perspective would be different.

B. **Agree or Disagree**

Choose a significant idea from the book you have read and determine whether or not you agree or disagree with the idea. Explain why you agree or disagree with the author's position on the subject.

This response should be 3-5 paragraphs in length, It should include specific references and details from the text you have read. It will be graded based on your ideas, connections, and use of textual evidence.

PART 2: Responding to Articles

Directions: Find 2 articles that are of a similar topic to the novel you chose to read in part 1. Please paste the link to the articles below.

Article links:

How do each of these articles relate to your novel?

Reflecting on the Articles

This response should be 3-5 paragraphs in length. It should include specific references and details from the 2 articles you have read. It will be graded based on your ideas, connections, and use of textual evidence.

Discuss the impact reading these articles has had on your understanding of this topic. You must reference each article at least once in your response. Include in your response answers to the following questions:

1. How does what you read fit in with what you already knew (thought you knew) about this topic?
2. How is your perspective similar or different from the author's perspective?
3. What have you experienced in your life that makes you understand this topic?
4. How do the articles remind you of the novel you read?
5. What do you still want to learn about this topic?