

8th Grade Summer Reading Project

For this summer reading assignment, you may choose your own novel. You may choose any genre you wish, but it must be at least 225 pages and may not be a graphic novel. For this assignment you will be writing a four paragraph essay.

The first paragraph should include an introduction that is NOT in the form of a question and the rest of the paragraph should be a summary of the novel.

The second paragraph should tell me about one or two of the characters that you particularly liked reading about. Things to consider: What made the character interesting? How do I relate to that character? Would I have liked to see something different happen to the character ?

The third paragraph should be about the setting. Why is the setting(s) of the story important and how does it add to the overall tone of the novel? Was a place you could imagine being? Or did you not want to even consider being in that place?.

The fourth paragraph should give a recommendation about the book. Would you recommend it to others? What made it a good read? What did you like about the novel? Would you not recommend it? Why not? Give a conclusion to the essay.

Do NOT ask me how many sentences in a paragraph. The answer is going to be for you to dazzle me with everything you can tell me about the novel. I will only tell you that it should definitely be more than 5.

Type it in MLA format, print it and have it ready to turn in on the second day of school.

Happy Reading!