

# English 3 Summer Reading

## One-Pager Independent Reading Project

Summer reading is an important step in ensuring that you continue to learn and grow during the summer months. We will be reading and analyzing lots of texts (across all levels of difficulty) in English 3. This summer reading project' purpose is to help you practice reading and analyzing literature; you must use all of the skills you have practiced in English 1 and English 2 to complete this project.

A One-Pager is a way of responding to a book on one piece of paper. It represents your own written and graphic interpretation of what you have read. In this report, you will show facts and information about the book, as well as creating a visual representation of the book. Your one-pager will be due the second week of school.

**Choose ONE of the following texts to read and complete your one-pager:**

How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents by Julia Alvarez

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest J. Gaines

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

### Directions:

- Must be on standard sized (8 ½ x 11), unlined paper (any color) or one slide/page created electronically.
- Use color pens or markers, unless black and white is the BEST design choice.
- Write your name, date turned in, and period number on the back.
- Be creative and thoughtful. This is a challenge that will truly represent your experience of the book in such a small space.
- Arrange the following **required elements** on the page in any way you choose (ALL are required for full points):
  1. **Title** and **author** of the book.
  2. A one-paragraph summary of the **plot**.
  3. Name(s) and brief description(s) of the main **character(s)**.
  4. Describe the **setting**; time, place, social conditions, atmosphere (note whether these elements change or not).
  5. Include **two vocabulary words** with definitions (and optional illustrations). Choose words from the book that were unfamiliar to you. Include the page number where each word is located.
  6. Include two excerpts from the book – **quotes or passages that are important to the story**. Include the page number where each quote is located.
  7. Have at least one **graphic representation**: a drawing, magazine picture, or computer graphic that relates to the book you read and the quotes you chose.
  8. Include a **personal response** to what you have read. What is one **THEME, MAIN IDEA or MESSAGE?** Interpret, evaluate, comment, recommend (or not) etc.

In addition:

- Fill the entire page (*very little white space left showing*).
- Writing must be in ink or typed... **no pencil**.

If your One-Pager lacks one or more elements, or seems to be put together with very little effort, or is otherwise poorly done, you may have it returned to you to do over.