



**Catholic Academy of Sussex County
Summer Reading Assignment for
Students Entering 5th Grade 2024 – 2025**

1. Students entering **fifth grade** in September are required to read ONE of the books from the list below over the summer.

2. Students are then required to complete a **Digital Book Report** project. See project details attached.
 - *Gregor the Overlander* by Suzanne Collins
 - *Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper
 - *The Red Pyramid* by Rick Riordan
 - *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo
 - *Fort* by Cynthia DeFelice
 - *Absolutely Almost* by Lisa Graff

Overview of Project:

- Students will create a Google Slides presentation.
- The various slides will represent different elements of plot (setting, characters, summary of plot, etc.).
- The presentation may be **submitted via email** to your teacher any time after the first day of school (Tuesday, September 3rd).
 - Teacher will provide students with her email on the first day. They are also available on the school website. Further explanation and directions concerning submission will be given the first week of school.

**THIS ASSIGNMENT WILL COUNT AS A TEST GRADE.
PROJECTS ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2024.**

Directions:

Every slide should contain a typed explanation and a minimum of one picture.

1. Create a presentation that represents the novel you chose.
2. Include the following categories in your presentation:
 - a. Title Slide (1 slide)
 - i. Include the name of the novel, author, and your name on the slide.
 - ii. Include pictures.
 - b. Plot Slide (minimum of 3 slides)
 - i. Type summary of your novel in paragraph form. Include a paragraph for the beginning, middle, and end of your novel. Each part should have its own slide.
 - ii. Include pictures.
 - c. Setting Slide (1 slide)
 - i. Explain the setting of the story in sentence form.
 - ii. Include pictures.
 - d. Characters (minimum 1 slide)
 - i. Describe the major characters within the novel.
 - ii. Include pictures.
 - e. Conflict (minimum 1 slide)
 - i. List the major conflicts within the novel.
 - ii. Include pictures.
 - f. Solution (minimum 1 slide)
 - i. List the solutions to the conflicts within the novel. How did the characters solve their problems?
 - ii. Include pictures.
 - g. Opinion (minimum of 1 slide)
 - i. Explain in paragraph form whether you liked or disliked the book. Provide reasons why or why not. Use examples from the book to support your opinion.
 - ii. Include pictures.

Digital Book Report Rubric

Use the rubric below as a checklist to ensure you have included everything that is required on your project. Good luck and have fun!

	Possible Points	Teacher	Comments
Title Slide 1. Has name of novel and author 2. Has name of student 3. Includes a picture	5		
Slides 1. Each category has the minimum number of slides required 2. Each slide has an appropriate picture 3. Each slide has an explanation typed in sentence/paragraph form	60		
Grammar/Spelling 1. Student used proper grammar and mechanics 2. Words are spelled and used correctly 3. It is evident that the student edited work before submitting	20		
Presentation and Creativity 1. Information on slides is clearly stated and easy to read 2. Pictures and explanations are not crowded on slide 3. Student used different colors, fonts, slide transitions, etc. to show creativity	15		
Total Points Possible/Point Earned	100		

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