

Summer Reading Assignment-Grade 9

Reader's Response Project

*** Students must read ONE novel and complete the Reader's Response Project.**

Requirements:

1. Choose a title from the Suggested Summer Reading Titles list or an appropriate, grade-level choice.
2. Based on your novel, you must answer the attached questions - Responses 1 - 4.
3. If you decide to read a second book and complete the Reader's Response Project, extra credit will be awarded

Reader's Response Project Writing Format

Response Entry #1: Answer the following in paragraph form:

- What character do you relate to most?
- What do you most enjoy about the character?
- What would you change about the character's personality?
- What do you predict will happen to this character in the next section of the book?

Response Entry #2: Answer the following in paragraph form:

- Describe the conflicts or problems the protagonist (main character) has encountered so far in the book.
- Describe how other characters help or interfere with the protagonist's conflict.
- Explain the actions the protagonist is taking to resolve the conflict.
- Is the protagonist making smart decisions?
- How would you resolve the conflict?

Response Entry #3: Answer the following in paragraph form:

- Do the ideas in the text remind you of another text, movie, or song?
- How do the ideas in this text relate to your own life?
- Do the ideas in this text relate to real-world events (past, present, or future)?

Response Entry #4: Answer the following in paragraph form:

- Did you enjoy the ending of the book? Explain why or why not.
- Did you predict that the book would end the way that it did? Explain.
- Would you have changed anything about the ending? If so, explain.
- Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?
- Is this a new genre (type) of Literature that you are reading?
- Would you read another book from this genre (type) of Literature? Why or why not?

SUGGESTED SUMMER READING TITLES

*Denotes more challenging selection

ENTERING NINTH GRADERS

Alegria	<u>Estrella's Quinceanera</u>
Burnett	<u>The Secret Garden*</u>
Chopin	<u>The Awakening*</u>
Colfer	<u>Artemis Fowl Series</u>
Covey	<u>Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens</u>
Crutcher	<u>Whale Talk</u>
Cushman	<u>The Midwife's Apprentice</u>
Gratz	<u>Brooklyn Nine</u>
Greene	<u>Summer of My German Soldier*</u>
Hammett	<u>The Maltese Falcon*</u>
Horowitz	<u>Alex Rider (Series)</u>
Konigsburg	<u>The Outcasts of 19 Schuyler Place</u>
Levine	<u>Lions of Little Rock</u>
Lupica	<u>Travel Team</u>
Myers	<u>Bad Boy</u>
Orwell	<u>1984*</u>
Patterson	<u>Angel Experiment*</u>
Paulsen	<u>Hatchet</u>
Philbrick	<u>The Fire Pony</u>
Raskin	<u>The Westing Game</u>
Reese	<u>Witch Child</u>
Riordan	<u>Percy Jackson and the Olympians (Series)</u>
Rowling	<u>Harry Potter (Series)</u>
Selznick	<u>Hugo Cabret</u>
Spinelli	<u>Loser</u>
Spinelli	<u>Maniac Magee</u>
TenNapel	<u>Ghostopolis</u>
Westerfield	<u>Uglies</u>