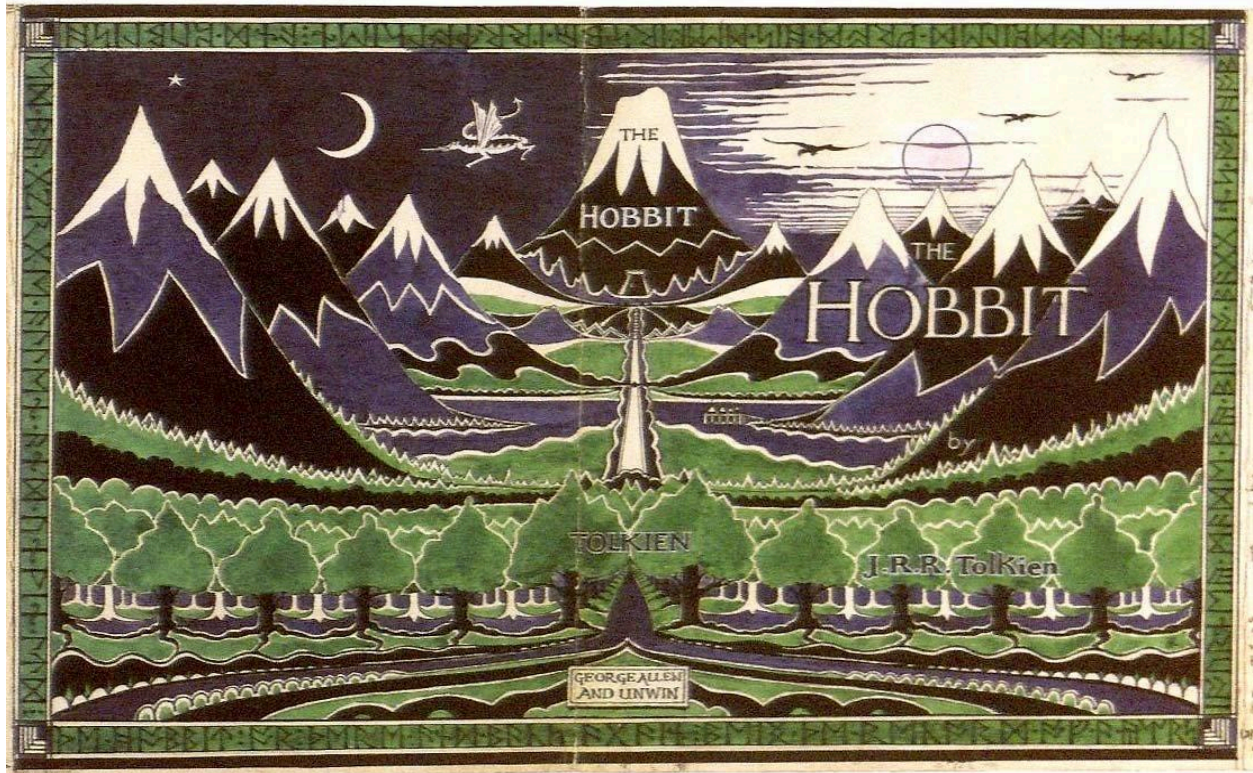


Summer Reading Project

The Hobbit by JRR Tolkien



Quizzes and products are due by Friday, August 21st

- Quiz (10 points)
- Product/Essay (15 points)

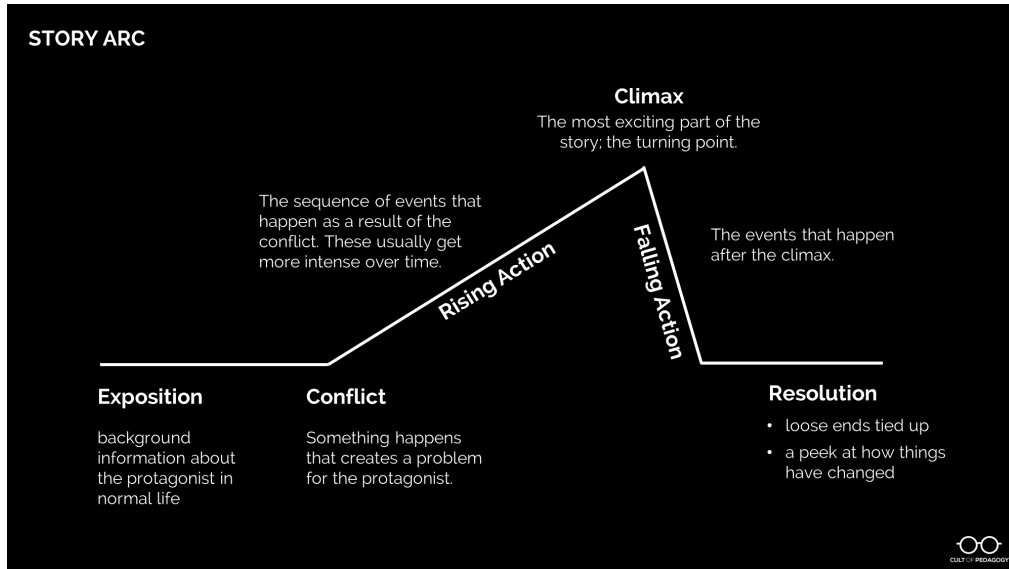
Project

This summer, you will read and study the novel *The Hobbit* by JRR Tolkien. As you read, select and complete activities in this packet that will assess your knowledge and understanding of the novel, with a focus on the ELA standards that will be taught and assessed during Quarter 1.

Tasks

1. Read *The Hobbit*
2. Complete multiple-choice comprehension review questions
3. **Select one** of the following tasks and create a product that demonstrates your understanding of the novel and Unit 1 standards:
 - a. **Character Maps (R1.1) - Create a character map for two** characters featured in the novel. Your character maps should:
 - Include a hand-drawn and colored illustration of the characters and
 - Include a summary of the character, explaining their key traits, contribution to the story, and how they changed as a result of their experiences
 - b. **Setting (R1.1) – Illustrate a key setting** in the novel and **write a summary** describing the location and the key events that take place there, or **create a map** illustrating the journey Bilbo took from Bag End and back again, **labelling key locations** from the novel on your map.

c. **Plot (R1.1) – Create a plot map** for the novel, using the template or creating your own. Your plot map should include **at least 20** key events and organize events in plot categories (Exposition - conflict - rising action - climax - falling action - resolution) (See Plot diagram)



d. **Theme (R1.2)** - Select a key theme from the novel and **illustrate a key moment that contributed to the development of the theme and write a summary**, analyzing how the theme develops by addressing the bullet points provided:

- o **Courage:**
 - o Identify specific instances where Bilbo demonstrates courage, overcoming fear and challenges. (LA.8.1.4.3)
 - o Explain how Bilbo's bravery develops throughout the story and contributes to his personal growth. (LA.8.2.4.3)
- o **Friendship:**
 - o Analyze the relationship between Bilbo and the dwarves, tracing its evolution from initial dislike to camaraderie. (LA.8.1.4.3)

- o Explain how their shared experiences and hardships strengthen their bond of friendship. (LA.8.2.4.3)
- o **Greed:**
 - o Analyze how greed motivates different characters in the story. (LA.8.1.4.3)
 - o Explain the consequences of greed for characters like Smaug and the dwarves. (LA.8.2.4.3)

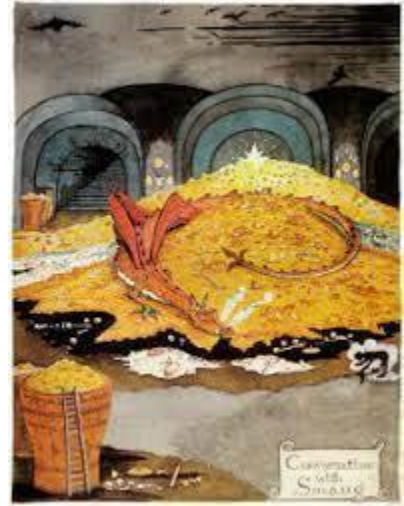
e. **Essay (R1.3) – Write an essay** about Bilbo’s character development throughout the novel. How does Bilbo grow and change as a result of his experiences throughout the novel? See the writing prompt for further guidance

Prompt: *The Hobbit* is a story about how one comfortable hobbit is taken from his home and thrust into a journey, changing and growing along the way. Write a five-part essay describing Bilbo's journey and explain three ways the character evolves over the course of the novel. As part of your writing, develop a thesis to focus your thinking in response to the question above. Support your thesis with evidence demonstrating what this character learns, and how they change, by leaving their “comfort zone.”



Multiple-choice comprehension review

1. **What is the name of Bilbo's hillside home?**
 - a. Bag End
 - b. Crookhollow Bend
 - c. Brandywine End
 - d. Lothlorien
2. **What happens to the trolls when they are exposed to sunlight?**
 - a. They explode
 - b. Their strength is tripled
 - c. They turn to stone
 - d. They become invisible
3. **What is Gollum's name for his ring?**
 - a. Darling
 - b. Precious
 - c. Sting
 - d. Smaug
4. **Who kills Smaug?**
 - a. Gandalf
 - b. Bilbo
 - c. Thorin
 - d. Bard
5. **Who is the master of Rivendell?**
 - a. Elrond
 - b. Smaug
 - c. Gandalf



d. Celeborn

6. What effect does the magic ring have?

- a. It turns the wearer to stone
- b. It turns the wearer invisible
- c. It triples the wearer's strength
- d. It allows the wearer to harness the power of lightning

7. What two shapes can Beorn assume?

- a. Human and eagle
- b. Human and elk
- c. Bear and eagle
- d. Human and bear

8. Where is Smaug's lair?

- a. Under the Lonely Mountain
- b. In the mines of Moria
- c. Under the Misty Mountains
- d. Mirkwood

9. What is Smaug's weakness?

- a. A missing scale above his heart
- b. A fear of fire
- c. A tendency to become depressed in winter
- d. The Arkenstone weakens his powers

10. What is happening to Bilbo's belongings when he returns home?

- a. They are being burned by the goblins
- b. They are being stolen
- c. They are being used by his neighbors
- d. They are being auctioned