Wall High School

Summer Reading

10th-grade ELA students can choose from the following project options after reading the book of their choice:

1. **Video Book Review:** Create a video book review that clearly presents your opinion of a novel you have read. Your goal is to persuade, inform, and connect with your audience through compelling evidence and engaging delivery. Make sure you appear on camera and have a typed copy of your script for submission, along with the video recording.
    a. Purpose & Focus- Clearly state your main point or overall opinion about the novel. Be specific about what you are reviewing—plot, characters, themes, or writing style—and stick to that focus throughout your presentation.
    b. Development- Include 4-5 pieces of text evidence (quotes or detailed references) from the book to support your ideas.
    c. Connect your review to a real-world example (such as a current event, personal experience, or societal issue) to demonstrate the book's relevance and impact.
    d. Delivery- Your video must be between 2 and 4 minutes long. Speak clearly and confidently, with poise and energy to keep your audience engaged.
    e. Organization- Your review should be well-organized, with a logical flow. Make it easy for your viewers to follow your argument and understand your points.

2. **Website Design:** Create an engaging, well-organized website that analyzes the key elements of a selected novel. Your website will demonstrate your understanding of the book's central message through text evidence, thoughtful design, and clear presentation.
    a. Purpose & Focus- Clearly state the main point or central theme of the book on the home page. This should be a concise statement that captures the author's message or purpose.
    b. Development- Include 4-5 pieces of text evidence (quotes or paraphrased content) from the novel. Each piece should be clearly explained and connected back to your stated theme or main point.
    c. Design- Use a website-building platform such as Google Sites, Wix, or Weebly. The overall look and feel of the website should align with the mood,

tone, or theme of the novel (color scheme, fonts, images, etc.).

d. Length- Your website must include:
    i. One Home Page (with the main theme/purpose)
    Four Additional Subpages, which can include sections like:
        1. Character Analysis
        2. Plot Summary
        3. Symbolism & Imagery
        4. Author's Purpose
        5. Theme Development
        6. Personal Reflection
        7. Alternate Ending / Creative Page
e. Clarity & Accuracy- Ensure there are no spelling or grammatical errors throughout the site. Use clear, academic language appropriate for analysis.
f. Organization- The website should be easy to navigate and follow a logical order.

3. **Google Slideshow or Canva Presentation:** Create a presentation that is visually engaging and summarizes the context of your book. Your presentation should demonstrate your ability to analyze, synthesize, and creatively present key information about the author's purpose. Your final product must include the following elements:
    a. Purpose & Focus- Clearly state the main point or central theme of the book on the home page. This should be a concise statement that captures the author's message or purpose.
    b. Development- Include 4-5 pieces of text evidence (quotes or detailed references) from the book to support your ideas.
    c. Visual Elements – Add images, illustrations, or graphics that represent the book's content or your personal response to it.
    d. Summary or Analysis – Write a brief summary of the book in your own words and analyze its main points.
    e. Personal Response – Share your thoughts, reactions, or questions about the book.
    f. Clarity & Accuracy- Ensure there are no spelling or grammatical errors throughout the presentation. Use clear, academic language appropriate for analysis.
    g. Organization- The presentation should be easy to navigate and follow a logical order.

All projects are due on the first day of class. Teachers will set up an assignment in Google Classroom for project submissions, and students must submit their work by this deadline. No projects will be accepted after the first day of class. Furthermore, students will need to submit their projects to TurnItIn, a tool that verifies authenticity and checks for plagiarism. Any project that contains plagiarism or AI-generated content will not receive the bonus quiz grade.