

GRADE 8

SUMMER READING ACTIVITIES

1. For each book you read, you will fill out a “Book Review” sheet (attached). This form will help you to write your essay and demonstrate that you have read and understood the literary elements of all three books.

2. ESSAY REQUIREMENTS:
 - a. Essay will be three (3) paragraphs in length.
 - b. The first paragraph will introduce the book. You will state the title and author. You will introduce all the main characters, and give a brief description of each. You will state and describe the setting of the book, including the time period and place.
 - c. Paragraph 2 will be a summary of the story, including rising action, climax, and resolution of conflict.
 - d. Paragraph 3 will be your conclusion. Please give your opinion of the book, and tell whether or not you would recommend the book to a friend. You must state reasons for your opinion and recommendation.
 - e. Provide examples from the story to support your descriptions, opinion, and recommendation.

I hope you enjoy your summer, and that reading will be an enjoyable and important part of it!