

SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT #1 GRADE 8



Name: _____

Directions: Read the assigned book below. Then complete each section. Write your responses in cursive using blue or black ink.

Assignment due: September 7, 2023

Late assignments will lose 5 points daily.

The last day to hand in the assignment will be Monday, September 11, 2023.

Book Title: *Johnny Tremain*

Author: Esther Forbes

Who is the protagonist of the story?
Explain in 2 sentences.
(10 points)

Who/What is the antagonist of the
story? Explain in 2 sentences.
(10 points)

What is the setting of the story (time
& place)? Explain in 2 sentences.
(10 points)

What is the point of view of the
story? Explain in 2 sentences.
(10 points)

Describe one conflict in the story? Is it a person vs. self, person vs. person, person vs. society, or person vs. nature conflict? Explain in at least 2 sentences. Please include the page number. (10 points)

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Describe another conflict in the story? Is it a person vs. self, person vs. person, person vs. society, or person vs. nature conflict? Explain in at least 2 sentences. Please include the page number. (10 points)

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Find and write one example of imagery from the story. Please include the page number. (10 points)

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Find and write another example of imagery from the story. Please include the page number. (10 points)

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Find and write one example of figurative language from the story. What type of figurative language is it? Please include the page number. (10 points)

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Find and write another example of figurative language from the story. What type of figurative language is it? Please include the page number. (10 points)

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SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT #2 GRADE 8

Name: _____

Directions: Pick and read one book from the Newbery Award Winners' List. Complete one project. Hand the project and the rubric in on the first day of school.

Project due: September 7, 2023

Late projects will lose 5 points daily.

Projects without a rubric will lose 5 points.

The last day to hand in the project will be Monday, September 11, 2023.

Book Title: _____

Author: _____

Project: _____

RUBRIC

CATEGORY	Expert-4	Proficient-3	Apprentice -2	Novice-1
Content	Covers topic in depth with details and examples; subject knowledge is excellent; focuses on an important concept.	Includes essential knowledge about the topic. Subject knowledge is good; focuses on an important concept.	Includes essential information about the topic but there are 1-2 factual errors; focus may be unclear.	Content is minimal OR there are several factual errors; focus is unclear.
Effort	Product shows a great amount of time spent and very careful, neat work.	Product shows a good amount of time spent and careful, neat work.	Product shows some amount of time spent and is slightly lacking neatness.	Product shows a minimal amount of time spent and is lacking neatness.
Originality	Product shows a large amount of original thought and critical thinking. Ideas are creative and inventive.	Product shows some original thought and critical thinking. Work shows new ideas and insights.	Uses other people's ideas (giving them credit), but there is little evidence of original thought or critical thinking.	Uses other people's ideas but does not give them credit.
Appearance	Makes excellent use of color, graphics, effects, etc. to enhance the presentation.	Makes good use of color, graphics, effects, etc. to enhance the presentation.	Makes some use of color, graphics, effects, etc. to enhance the presentation, but occasionally these detract from the content.	Use of minimal color, graphics, effects, etc. to enhance the presentation. Often, these detract from the content.
Mechanics	Correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation.	1-3 errors in grammar, spelling, and punctuation.	3-5 errors in grammar, spelling, and punctuation.	More than 5 errors in grammar, spelling, and punctuation.



SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT #2 PROJECT LIST GRADE 8

Intelligence Area	Project Choices	Project Choices
Verbal Linguistic	Poetry Anthology - Write at least 5 original poems and include 3 found poems that relate to the book's content. Bind it like a book with a cover and table of contents. Write a 1 paragraph foreword that identifies the theme of the book.	Newspaper Page- Include 1 book based feature article, 1 side-bar character focused article, 1 related research article, and 2 graphics (photos, maps, charts, etc.)
Logical Mathematical	Conflict Survey- Summarize the main conflict in the story and conduct a survey of at least 25 students to chart the percentages of students who could predict the resolution. The summary must be at least one paragraph.	Book Budget - Based upon the main character's activities and interests, make a list of the supplies and services that were utilized in the story. Research and estimate the costs associated with the items and then calculate the character's total expenses. Write a one paragraph summary of the main character's activities and interests.
Musical	Original Song & Music Video - Compose and record an original song (based on the plot and theme). Create an accompanying music video that pairs visuals with the music and lyrics.	Theme Music - Compile a selection of 5-8 thematically related songs that represent the book. It must include a detailed explanation for how the lyrics of each song relate to the novel. Write one paragraph for each song.
Visual-Spatial	Children's Pop-Up Book - Create a book containing a minimum of 6 pop-up elements based on the book's content. Pictures and pop-ups must be paired with text. There should be one sentence per pop-up element.	Photo Montage- Create a montage consisting of at least 20 images depicting key literary elements of the story. Captions must accompany each picture. Project may be submitted as a Google slideshow.
Bodily-Kinesthetic	Board Game- Based on the theme of the story, create a game that includes 10-12 trivia cards that relate to the plot. It must include playing pieces representing characters, a method of movement and hazards related to the conflict(s), and a detailed rule book.	Sculpture or Model - Create an object or a person symbolic of the story. It must be constructed by the student and have a museum placard explaining its connection to the novel. The placard must be one paragraph.
Interpersonal	Character Party - Plan a theme party for the characters from the story. Produce an invitation, menu, seating chart, entertainment, and décor plan. Create an event-planning folder that includes visuals and descriptions of each element and why you chose it.	Character Interview- Record an interview with one of the characters in the book. The character should be interviewed by a magazine or newspaper reporter to get the "inside scoop" on the story. Please provide a transcript of the interview.
Intrapersonal	Google Slides Present research on a topic related to the novel. Provide visuals and cite sources for information presented in slideshow. 10-12 slides must explain the connection to the novel in the intro and clarify why others should learn more in the conclusion.	Reading Reflections - Choose and retell 2 main events from the book. For both events, explain your personal connections and support with a personal story. All ideas must be thoroughly developed and can be presented in the form of a scrapbook or poster. The retelling of the 2 main events must be at least one paragraph.
Technological	Web Page - Use weebly.com or another platform to create a free website that provides a plot summary, character analysis, author bio, links to sites that might provide information related content, and an interactive survey.	Prezi - Build an interactive presentation that leads the audience through a story summary. It must include introduction of characters, overview of plot, and statement of theme. It must also include images, text, and embedded video to invite the audience to read the book.