7th Grade Summer Reading

Step One:  

**CHOOSE ONE**

*Begging for Change* by Sharon Flake

*The Drowned City, Hurricane Katrina & New Orleans* by Don Brown

*Geeks: How Two Boys Rode the Internet out of Idaho* by Jon Katz

*Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie* by Jordan Sonnenblick

*All of the Above* by Shelley Pearsall

*Outcasts United* by Warren St. John

*I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education* by Christina Lamb and Malala Yousafzai

Step Two:

**Tic-Tac-Toe:** Each student is responsible for completing **three activities** from the following list. The activities do not have to come from any certain row or column.

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<th>Character Exposé</th>
<th>Dear Diary</th>
<th>Book Cover</th>
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| Choose three characters from the book. For each character, list four character traits with cited textual evidence/PROOF from the text and a picture of the character. Use descriptions from the book to find a picture to match what the character could look like. | Pretend to be one of the main characters from your novel and write a diary entry from that character’s point of view. Explain how this character is thinking/feeling about a pivotal event, major decision, etc., in the book. Reflect on what is happening as well as how the character may be changed because of the event. (Must be one page) | Create a new and fresh cover for your book. Your book cover must include the following things:
- the title and author
- at least one picture
- a summary of the book on the back cover
The summary must describe the characters and setting, highlight the major events, and explain the major problem (but not reveal the ending). The summary should be at least 10 sentences. |
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<th><strong>Alternative Ending</strong></th>
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<td>Re-write the ending of the book.</td>
<td>Write a letter to the author of your novel. Explain what you liked and disliked (be very specific), ask any questions that you have about the story/characters, explain what you would have changed if you were the author, and mention at least one thing that you will always remember about this novel and why. (The letter should be written in letter format and must be at least one page in length.)</td>
<td>Write a poem or song lyrics that connects to your novel. You can focus on the plot (what happens), characters, or personal connections that you have with this novel. *Must be at least 25 lines</td>
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Write a two-paragraph summary of the book’s original ending.

Re-write your version of the ending of the book. You must include setting, character details and description, and dialogue (conversation between characters), and come up with a NEW solution to the problem that was present in the book.

The new ending must be at least two to three paragraphs (7 to 10 sentences in length each) or longer.

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<td>Create a cartoon/story board (minimum of 8 panels) that is based on your novel. It may focus on a pivotal series of events or summarize the entire novel in chronological order.</td>
<td>Identify the major conflict (problem) in your book. Then, turn that conflict into an action-packed news story/article. Your article should consist of four paragraphs (7 to 10 sentences in length each). The article should include the 5 W’s (who, what, when, where, why) in descriptive detail using specific elements from the book. The article must include the features of a newspaper: photo/picture, title of the article, your name as the author of the article, name for your newspaper.</td>
<td>Create a collage depicting a theme or themes from the novel. Explain how this collage depicts the theme(s). Use colorful pictures from magazines or draw your own.</td>
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*All activities must be typed.*

**Due:** Friday, August 30, 2019