



Mrs. Hammon's Summer Reading Assignment
Summer 2020- Incoming 6th graders

Please select one of the following novels to read this summer:

1. *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
2. *Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko
3. *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt
4. *The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis
5. *Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli

These books cover a wide range of subjects and reading levels. Be sure to choose a novel that sounds interesting to you and that challenges you. You may **not** choose a book that you have already read.

After you have read your novel, answer the following questions. Your responses should be in question/answer format, and your answers should be in complete sentences.

1. What is the title of your novel and who is the author?
2. What is the setting (location and time) of the story?
3. From whose point of view is the story told? Be specific tell which character (if the narrator is one of the characters) and what point of view that is (1st, 3rd, etc).
4. Briefly describe the plot without giving away the ending. (At least 4 sentences)
5. For the main character:
 - a. describe his or her physical characteristics (*i.e.* what does he/she look like?) You may use excerpts from the novel; and
 - b. list **three** of his or her personality traits (use descriptive adjectives) and provide excerpts and/or examples from the novel to support **each** of these adjectives.
6. Describe three of the other main characters in the novel. Be sure to include a physical description of each character and three adjectives to describe each of the character's personality traits.
7. What lesson or moral did the story teach you? How does this lesson apply to the novel? Give at least one example from the book.
8. Provide three of your favorite quotes from the novel. For each quote, explain why you liked it.
9. Was the writing effective? Why or why not? (At least 3 sentences)
10. What is your overall response to the novel? Would you recommend this novel to a friend? Why or why not? (At least 3 sentences)

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This assignment should be typed in 12 point font, and it should be double spaced. Please have an original cover for your report. Your cover page should contain the name of the novel, the author's name, a picture depicting some aspect of the novel (do not reprint the cover of the novel or use pictures from the movie version), and your name.

Please submit **TWO** copies of your report.

This assignment is due on **THE SECOND DAY OF SCHOOL** and it will be graded. If a report is turned in a late, a penalty will be assessed (a 10% deduction for the first day it is late, and a 5% deduction for each additional day).

Once you have completed your novel, feel free to read some of the other novels. 😊

If you misplace this assignment sheet during the summer, it will be posted on the Holy Name website. (Go to the Holy Name website under "Current Students" and click "2020-2021 school year.")