

## **Summer Novel “Book Review” Choice Assignment**

After reading your choice of a summer novel from the grade level list, choose **ONE** of the following projects to complete. It will be due at the start of the school year and it will be a graded assignment. Be prepared to give a short presentation to the class about your project and book.

### **Choice 1: Short Written Book Review + Drawing**

Write a short book review about your novel and include a drawing.

#### **Your review must include:**

- 1. Book title and author**
- 2. A short plot summary of the story and discuss the theme/lesson**
  - Description of the main character
  - Your opinion of the book
  - Whether or not you would recommend it

#### **3. Drawing Requirement:**

Create a colored drawing of:

- Your favorite scene, character, or important event from the novel

#### **Requirements:**

- 1–2 paragraphs
- At least 200 words
- Complete sentences and correct grammar
- Neat, colored drawing
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#### **Presentation:**

Be prepared to give a **1–2 minute presentation** explaining your review and drawing.

## **Choice 2: Book Review Poster**

Create a book review poster on a **large sheet of construction paper**.

### **Your poster must include:**

- Book title and author
- Colorful illustrations
- Short plot summary
- Main character description
- Theme or lesson from the story
- Your rating of the book
- Reasons others should read it

### **Requirements:**

- Neat and colorful
- Easy to read
- Use complete sentences
- Fill most of the construction paper

### **Presentation:**

Be prepared to give a **2–3 minute presentation** explaining your poster and book review.

## **Choice 3: Video or Oral Book Review**

Create a **3–5 minute video or oral presentation** reviewing your novel.

### **Include:**

- Introduction of the book and author
- Short summary
- Main characters
- Favorite part of the story
- Theme or lesson
- Your recommendation of the book

### **Optional:**

- Slides
- Props
- Costumes
- Visuals

## **Presentation:**

If creating a video, be prepared to briefly introduce it to the class.

Email the video to Mrs. McInerney the first week of school to be shared at presentation time.

Email: [Dmcinerney@ncalife.org](mailto:Dmcinerney@ncalife.org)

## **Grading Criteria (40pt assignment)**

- Understanding of the novel — 10 pts
- Creativity and effort — 10 pts
- Organization and presentation — 10 pts
- Grammar, neatness, and speaking skills — 10 pts