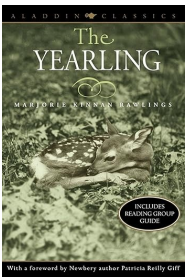


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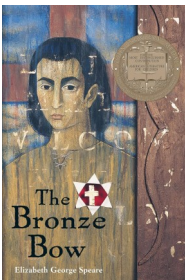
Entering 7th & 8th Grade BOOKLIST & PROJECT

Read (3) books from the titles below. Choose **one book** and complete the novel project on the book of your choice. The weight of this assignment is a test grade. **Due: August 22, 2025.**



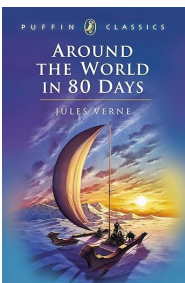
***The Yearling*, Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings**

Young Jody adopts an orphaned fawn he calls Flag and makes it a part of his family and his best friend. But life in the Florida backwoods is harsh, and so, as his family fights off wolves, bears, and even alligators, and faces failure in their tenuous subsistence farming, Jody must finally part with his dear animal friend. -Amazon.com Description



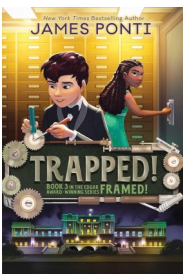
***The Bronze Bow*, Elizabeth George Speare**

After Daniel bar Jamin's father is crucified by the Roman Empire, Daniel wants nothing more than to rid his land of Israel of Roman control once and for all. Yet when David meets Jesus of Nazareth, a traveling carpenter with a gentle message of love and forgiveness, David starts to realize that the hate festering in his heart might be his true enemy after all. - Amazon.com Description



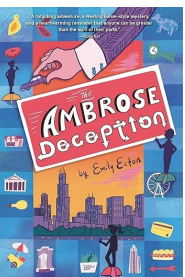
***Around the World in Eighty Days*, Jules Verne**

For a bet Phileas Fogg sets out with his servant Passeportout to achieve an incredible journey - from London to Paris, Brindisi, Suez, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hong Kong, San Francisco, New York and back to London again, all in just eighty days. There are many alarms and surprises along the way - and a last minute setback that makes all the difference between winning and losing. - Amazon.com Description



***Trapped*, James Ponti**

When Florian and Margaret's FBI supervisor, Marcus Rivers, is accused of a crime, it's up to the mystery solving duo to jump into action and clear his name. After all, Marcus is more than their boss—he's family. The case involves one of Marcus's first investigations for the FBI and a Russian spy ring. But the spy they're chasing learns what they're up to and turns the tables. Now, Marcus is implicated in a variety of crimes, including theft, corruption, and espionage. - Amazon.com Description



***The Ambrose Deception*, Emily Ecton**

Not a single one of Melissa, Wilf, or Bondi's middle school teachers would consider them a star student. Yet to everyone's surprise, Melissa, Wilf, and Bondi are the three students chosen to compete for a ten thousand-dollar scholarship, solving clues that lead them to various locations around Chicago. None of the kids have heard of the scholarship before, but the rules seem simple enough: solve clues, take photo proof, and win money.

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NOVEL STUDY PROJECT

Now that you've completed the reading of your three titles, select three activities from the choice board below. **In addition you must complete the activity at the center of the chart–The Final Chapter, totaling four activities.**

<p>Movie Trailer</p> <p>What if you were creating a movie based on your novel? What scene(s) would grab the attention of your audience? Create a 2-3 minute movie trailer that will make your audience want to rush out and buy a ticket to your movie.</p>	<p>Interview One of the Main Characters</p> <p>Pretend that you are the new host of your own talk show, choose a character from the book to be your first guest.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create 15 interview questions Based on your knowledge of the character, create answers. 	<p>Comic Strip</p> <p>Design a comic strip</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose 3 major scenes from the story Create images to represent each of the scenes Write a character dialogue to narrate the images It must include at least 3 strips for each scene (a total of 9 strips)
<p>Collage</p> <p>Create a collage to represent one of the characters in the story. Cut pictures/words from magazines (or using the computer).</p> <p>Glue them to the paper to create a collage that describes your character.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Character's name Elements of the plot 1 page response to the following question: <p>Why do you feel these pictures best describe your character?</p>	<p>The Final Chapter</p> <p>What if the story did not end at the last line? How would you have changed the story? Write a 1-2 double-spaced page continuation of the story. Start with the last line of the story. Maintain the same characters and point of view. Include dialogue that is similar to what is already included in the story. Your chapter should bring the story to a close in a way that is original and satisfying to the reader.</p>	<p>Cereal Box</p> <p>Create a cereal box to advertise the book:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name the cereal Setting Plot Characters Symbols Quotes from the book <p>The cereal and everything connected to it should relate to the book.</p>
<p>Film a Scene</p> <p>Select your favorite scene from the novel and act it out! Show your creativity by selecting the best wardrobe, scenery, and "actors" for your scene. Be prepared to show a video of your 3-5 minute scene to your class.</p>	<p>Compare and Contrast</p> <p>Write an essay comparing and contrasting the protagonist of your novel to the antagonist.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction Body: Similarities and differences Conclusion paragraph: <p>Which character do you relate to the most?</p>	<p>Book Seller</p> <p>How would you advertise this book? Your job is to select the best audience for the novel and then create an advertisement for the book. Imagine that your ad will be placed onto a billboard on a busy road or in a magazine. Make your advertisement creative, colorful, and informative. Give some details about the plot without spoiling!</p>

MY NOVEL STUDY SCORING RUBRIC

Complete 4 activities for a **total** of **100 points**.

Name: _____

Class: _____

Criteria	Possible Points	Points Earned						
Collage								
Content	20	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Based on Character in Novel		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Creative Use of Materials		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Sentence Fluency/Conventions		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Spelling/ Grammar		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Cereal Box								
Front of Box (visual)	20	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Information about the box (Setting, plot, characters, etc.)		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Sentence Fluency/ Conventions		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Spelling		5	4	3	2	1	0	
The Final Chapter (MANDATORY)								
My final chapter brings the novel to a <u>believable close</u> . The reader will be <u>surprised</u> by my <u>alternate ending</u> . I used <u>at least 3 pieces of dialogue</u> that are similar to the original story. I began at the last line of the novel and continued the story using <u>pre-existing characters, setting, and plot</u> .	30	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
		6	5	4	3	2	1	0
		6	5	4	3	2	1	0
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Movie Trailer								
Based on events in the Novel (Content)	20	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Two Figurative Devices		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Conventions		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Interview One of the Main Characters								
Content (Questions depend on level)	20	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Includes Questions AND Answers		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Sentence Fluency		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Conventions		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Compare and Contrast								
Content	20	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Sentence Fluency		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Conventions		5	4	3	2	1	0	
Connections Made		5	4	3	2	1	0	

MY NOVEL STUDY SCORING RUBRIC

Complete 4 activities for a **total** of **100 points**.

Criteria	Possible Points	Points Earned					
Comic Strip							
Based on Event or Events in the Novel	20	5	4	3	2	1	0
Dialogue in speech balloons between characters		5	4	3	2	1	0
Sentence Fluency/ Conventions		5	4	3	2	1	0
Creativity		5	4	3	2	1	0
Length							
Film a Scene							
Content	20	5	4	3	2	1	0
Creativity		5	4	3	2	1	0
Video Quality		5	4	3	2	1	0
Wardrobe		5	4	3	2	1	0
Scenery							
Presentation							
Submitted on Due date	10	5	4	3	2	1	0
Engaging & Knowledgeable about Novel		5	4	3	2	1	0

Have a great summer Happy Reading!

