

7th Grade Summer Reading Project

Key Concepts: Change and Characters

Statement of Inquiry: Over the course of a novel, characters undergo fundamental changes.

Over the summer, read any fiction book of your choice that is:

- At or above your reading level (Think of your MAP's Reading scores and challenge yourself!)
- Fun for you to read

After you read, create a book cover for the novel you read on 9"x12" sized paper (like larger construction paper or a small poster board).

On the left side, write a summary of the entire book in one long paragraph. You can hand write this **very neatly** or **type it** and paste it on the paper. This paragraph should demonstrate your deep understanding of the book. Be sure to include:

- Description of the setting
- Descriptions of the main characters (protagonist and/or antagonist)
- Describe the main conflict and part of the resolution. However, do not give away the ending. Make people want to read the book themselves by what you write.
- Using quotation marks and **exact words from the book**, give a meaningful quotation from the book with a page number at the end of the summary.
- In one or two sentences explain what the quotation means underneath the quote.

In the center, write the name of the novel and the author, like on the spine of a book as you would see it on the shelf.

On the right side, create a cover for the book. Your cover should include:



- The title and author (Spell them correctly!)
- A creative picture of the climax of the book
- A 1 to 5 star rating of the book at the bottom of the page
- A sentence about why you rated the book as you did underneath the rating

On the back, write a paragraph or two with the following analysis of the book:

- **Examine** the Key Concepts of change and characters. (How is the idea of change reflected in the book? What do you understand about the main character or characters as people, such as personality, loves/hates, and beliefs?)
- **Examine** the Statement of Inquiry. (What fundamental changes happen to the main character or characters from beginning to end of the book?)

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Below is an example of a sample cover in format only. You **may not read** this book as your selection and your images and responses should improve upon these.

<p>Harry Potter is a normal boy with two exceptions, his parents died suspiciously when he was young and he has few friends. All of this changes when he is invited to study wizardry at Hogwarts, a castle-like school where students learn to use magic. He meets and befriends Ron, a fun goofy guy, and Hermione, a smart Muggle. A Muggle is half wizard and half regular human. These friends help Harry adjust to school when strange events start to happening. To find out Harry's real identity and who is behind these strange events, read <i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> by JK Rowling.</p>	<p><i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> by JK Rowling</p>	<h1>Harry Potter & The Sorcerer's Stone</h1>
<p>"Harry, why do you have a lightening shaped scar on your forehead?" (page 29)</p>		
<p>Harry's scar is a hint about his past and about who is changing his life.</p>		<p>By JK Rowling</p>
		
		<p>This book is a five star book because I could go on an adventure with Harry Potter and his friends. The enjoyable characters teach you about life.</p>

On the back:

Harry Potter seems like an average guy at first. Later, we find out that he is a unique individual with the power of a wizard. At the beginning of the book, Harry is shy and does not stand up for himself. He never stands up for himself with his Muggle family, the Dursleys. When Dudley treats him badly, Harry is not able to stop him. As he begins attending Hogwarts, he starts to speak up for himself and even becomes more of a leader at school. This quality is really necessary because he needs to outsmart and be courageous against the evil forces against him.