



Summer Reading Assignment

6th Grade Advanced~ELAR

Overview & Purpose

Welcome to Sixth Grade Advanced ELAR! The goal of this assignment is to enhance the skills that you have learned in the past and prepare you for the sixth grade curriculum. The project is designed to be an 'extension' of the story and showcase your creativity.

Students who do not read during the summer often regress in their reading fluency and comprehension skills. Being exposed to quality literature will support and enrich your academic career! In addition to this assignment, make time to read as much as you can this summer, choosing books from different genres (adventure, historical fiction, mystery, sci-fi, etc.) HAPPY READING! :)

Materials Needed

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor. The novel can be purchased at Barnes & Noble, Half-Price Books and online retailers, such as Amazon.

One piece of 8 ½" x 11" computer paper, cardstock or construction paper.

Due Date

This project is due the **FIRST DAY OF CLASS, Thursday, August 16, 2018**. For each day late, 15 points will be deducted from your grade. **This project will be your first daily grade AND test grade.**

Assignment

After you've read **Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry**, your assignment is to research cotton and create a pamphlet that shows the life of the cotton plant--from seed to product.

This is because much of the land, which is vital to Cassie's family, is used for growing cotton. Your project should also include a story summary and book review.

You will turn in a colorful, informative, tri-fold pamphlet, detailing the items listed below. It should be no bigger than 8 ½" x 11" and include the following information on the 6 sections of the tri-fold:

- Cover page--Include novel title, your first/last name and illustration.
- Birth/Life cycle of the cotton plant--How it is grown and cultivated.
- Regions/countries where cotton is raised and grown.
- List of specific products that are made from cotton.
- Summary of the story--Include short description of main characters, setting, conflict and resolution.
- Review and recommendation of **Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry**.

The information in your pamphlet should be typed in Arial font, size 11 or it may be neatly handwritten. Headings and titles should be no bigger than font size 14. You may include clip art or your own drawings to illustrate the information in your pamphlet.

The project is due the first day of school, and you will present it to the class sometime during the first week of school.

****In addition to the project, a comprehensive test will be given on Monday, August 20, 2018.** Students who score below 70% will have a teacher/student/parent placement meeting to discuss the rigor of the class and decide the best course of action.

Questions?

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the front office. We hope you have a fun-filled break and we look forward to seeing you in August!

6th Grade ELAR Teachers

