

From Imagination to Journeys

8th Grade Summer Reading Project

Silver Spring International Middle School

MCPS English 8 Course – International Baccalaureate / Middle Years Programme Assessment



Overview: Reading is a lifelong skill every person develops throughout his or her life. In addition to developing your reading skills, you have the opportunity to learn about people, times, and ideas that will enhance your knowledge and development. It is important to complete this assignment because it will help you prepare for the English 8 and Advanced English 8 courses. It will also count toward your Quarter 1 grade.

Assignment:

- Read **one** quality novel or nonfiction book. Your book should be on or above the 8th grade level.
- The product from the activity you choose will be used as a homework assignment for the first quarter.
- Your work is due the first day of English class.
- Students who enroll late will be given an extension.
- Read the directions carefully. Choose ONE of the assignments on the next page.

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Due date: No later than the second day of school.

MASTERY OBJECTIVE: The student will be able to compose oral, written, and visual presentations that express personal ideas, inform and persuade.

Choose ONE of the assignments listed below. Check the box of the activity you will complete and attach this sheet to your assignment.

Name: _____ Book Title: _____

Author: _____ English Teacher: _____

MYP ACTIVITY A	MYP ACTIVITY B	MYP ACTIVITY C
<input type="checkbox"/> Part One: Write a one paragraph summary of your book's original ending. Part Two: Write an alternate ending to <i>your book</i> . It must be one- two pages typed at 12 point font.	<input type="checkbox"/> Write a 2-3 page typed book report summarizing your book. Use the attached graphic organizer to identify key pieces that should be in your report.	<input type="checkbox"/> Create an online poster using Glogster or make a billboard (at least poster size) to present your book to an incoming 6 th grader. Include the following: *Summary of the main idea or plot *Main Character Analysis (Literary Text) *Theme *Personal Review / Recommendations * Use colored illustrations
MYP ACTIVITY D	MYP ACTIVITY E	MYP ACTIVITY F
<input type="checkbox"/> Create an illustrated children's book using the basics of the story plot of your book. It should be appropriate for young kids, so you may need to simply the story line and change the vocabulary. Include illustrations in your book.	<input type="checkbox"/> Your book has just been turned into a new television show. Write lyrics to an existing song (beat, rhythm, melody) to create a theme song for the show. The song should summarize the plot and describe the characters and setting. (An example would be the Gilligan's Island Theme Song!)	<input type="checkbox"/> Write a thirty-line poem iambic pentameter (10 syllables per line) detailing what happened in <i>your book</i> . Write in rhyming couplet, that is, every two lines rhyme.

SCORING

First, keep in mind that this summer reading packet will be the first work that your 8th grade English teacher will see. Make a good first impression.

Your summer reading assignment will be graded as homework for 30 points based on

- Your good faith effort to complete the assignment in its entirety
- The quality of your work
- Whether all work is the original work of the student