

Academy of Greatness and Excellence

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8th Grade Summer Reading Assignment



Congratulations on becoming an eighth grader! To better prepare you for a more demanding curriculum, choose **four** out of the following list of novels below to read over the summer.

The Call of the Wild by Jack London

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

The Cat Ate My Gymsuit by Paula Danziger

Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson

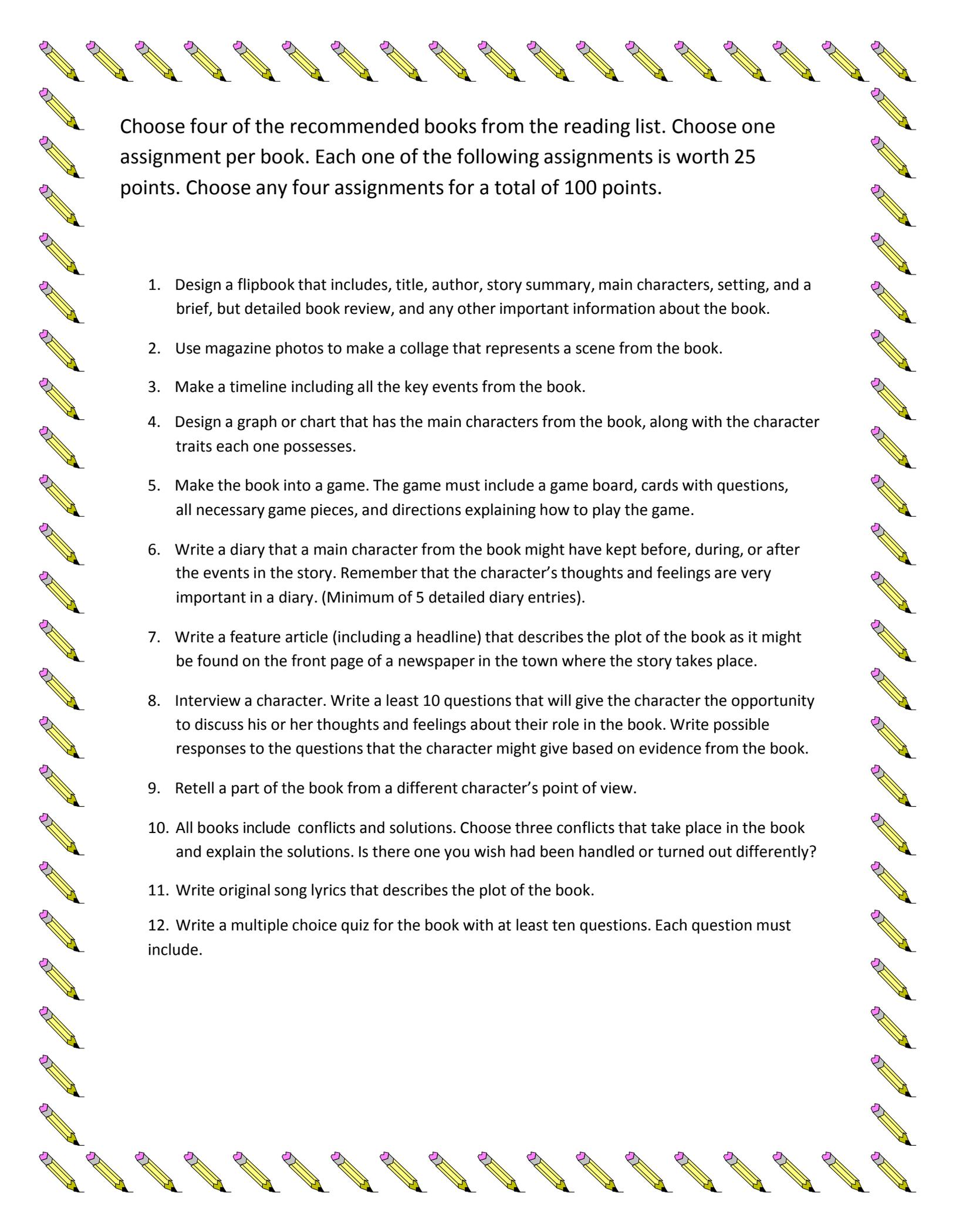
The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis

Island of the Blue Dolphins- Scott O'Dell

Anne of Green Gables- L.M. Montgomery

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

Julie of the Wolves by Jean Craighead George



Choose four of the recommended books from the reading list. Choose one assignment per book. Each one of the following assignments is worth 25 points. Choose any four assignments for a total of 100 points.

1. Design a flipbook that includes, title, author, story summary, main characters, setting, and a brief, but detailed book review, and any other important information about the book.
2. Use magazine photos to make a collage that represents a scene from the book.
3. Make a timeline including all the key events from the book.
4. Design a graph or chart that has the main characters from the book, along with the character traits each one possesses.
5. Make the book into a game. The game must include a game board, cards with questions, all necessary game pieces, and directions explaining how to play the game.
6. Write a diary that a main character from the book might have kept before, during, or after the events in the story. Remember that the character's thoughts and feelings are very important in a diary. (Minimum of 5 detailed diary entries).
7. Write a feature article (including a headline) that describes the plot of the book as it might be found on the front page of a newspaper in the town where the story takes place.
8. Interview a character. Write a least 10 questions that will give the character the opportunity to discuss his or her thoughts and feelings about their role in the book. Write possible responses to the questions that the character might give based on evidence from the book.
9. Retell a part of the book from a different character's point of view.
10. All books include conflicts and solutions. Choose three conflicts that take place in the book and explain the solutions. Is there one you wish had been handled or turned out differently?
11. Write original song lyrics that describes the plot of the book.
12. Write a multiple choice quiz for the book with at least ten questions. Each question must include.