

Rising 8th Grade Summer Reading

Laurence Manning Academy

Students are required to read one book from the list below and complete the attached trifold brochure by August 27, 2024. If a student should choose to read a second book from the list and complete a second report for extra credit (10 points) on one test grade, the last day to hand it in is August 27, 2024, as well.

- *Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson
- *The Watsons Go to Birmingham* by Christopher Paul Curtis
- *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett
- *The Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank
- *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley

7. Write a summary below that you would use to explain the plot of this novel to a friend, include the main character, main ideas, main problem and solution and setting in your summary.

My summary: _____

8. Describe the tone of this novel below, in your description discuss what attitude you think the author might have have when they wrote the story? Use complete sentences: _____

9. Identify the theme of this novel in one sentence below:

10. In each of the boxes below, identify a problem and solution that took place in the novel. Describe the problem and solution and then create an illustration to depict it better.

<p>Problem and Solution: _____ _____ _____</p>	<p>Illustrate: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p>
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Title: _____
Author: _____

1. Determine the four most important main ideas in this novel and record them below: (Use complete sentences.)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

(Inside left-hand side.)

2. Identify four sets of causes and effects from this novel that you feel made a large impact on the overall story. Use complete sentences.

Cause: _____ _____	Effect: _____ _____
Cause: _____ _____	Effect: _____ _____
Cause: _____ _____	Effect: _____ _____
Cause: _____ _____	Effect: _____ _____

★3. What surprised you the most about this novel?

(Inside center.)

4. Who was the main character of your novel? Identify three character traits the main character possesses and explain why you chose each one.

Character Trait #1: _____
Explain: _____

Character Trait #2: _____
Explain: _____

Character Trait #3: _____
Explain: _____

5. Describe the mood of the story below and how it made you feel as the reader. Use at least five adjectives in your description.

(Inside, right hand side.)

6. If you were allowed to give the book a grade for each of the following categories below, what would the grade be from A-F? Defend your reasoning for each grade.

Category: Novel kept your attention.
Grade _____ Defend your reasoning: _____

Category: Creativity in the story.
Grade _____ Defend your reasoning: _____

Category: Originality, very different.
Grade _____ Defend your reasoning: _____

Now, provide one of the characters from the novel with grades from A-F for each of the following character traits:

Character: _____

Bravery _____

Generosity _____

Honesty _____

Dependability _____