

Year 7 Summer Project

**Select a project from the selections below. All projects are due on 5th September 2016.
Be prepared to present your project to your class!**

Create a diary in the voice of a character from your book. Choose three major events from the novel and give your chosen character's impressions and reflections on those events. Pick this project if you feel like the book's characters really came alive for you. The project should be 200-600 words long and include 12-15 entries.

Make a movie trailer featuring your book. You can either film short clips from different parts of the book or make a trailer about one particular scene. Our school system is compatible with Windows Movie Maker. Your final movie should be a professional-looking 3-5 minutes long.

Produce a pamphlet for people travelling to the place and time of your book. Introduce the culture and describe any differences in lifestyles and beliefs that travellers from your place and time should know about. What do the people there eat? What kinds of jobs are available? What behaviours are considered polite or rude? You should include details from your book to show your teacher that you have read and fully understood the importance of the setting of your book.

Create a newspaper for your book. Summarize the plot in one article, cover the weather in another, do a feature story on one of the more interesting characters in another. Include an editorial and collection of ads that would be appropriate to the story. Your final piece must include at least 5 stories and should be laid out as a newspaper.

Autobiography and Sketch. Choose one character in the novel and write a 200-300 word autobiography (as if you were the person). This should include where they live, personal background, the conflict(s) they face in the novel and any other relevant information. Then draw a colour sketch of your character. Be prepared to present a scene from your autobiography and include any important props that will make your presentation more realistic.

Make a model depicting a scene from the story. This model could be based on a scene from the book that is important or just sets the scene for what the story is about. It could even be a model of the characters with facial expressions that you believe represent that character. The model can be made out of cardboard, paper, Lego, play-do, clay, papier-mâché, recyclables, etc. Use your imagination.

Write letters between characters. This project can be done in two ways. You could write letters back and forth between two characters from your book. Or you could write letters between one character in your book and another person from literature or history. What would they say to each other? How would they get along? What stories might they share? The project should be 200-600 words long and include a minimum of 4 letters. You can choose your favourite one to read to the class.

If you use any quotes or lines, that are not your own work, you must put them in speech marks and then at the end of your work say where you sourced the information from.