



Summer work

Grade 8

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Hello 8th graders! You made it!!

I have a ton of things planned for you next year, but before we get ahead of ourselves, I have a few summer assignments for you.

Below I have written out 4 assignments for you. The first 3 are about the book you will be reading, "The Giver," by Lois Lowry. I love this book and I really think you will too! Your parents will need to purchase a copy of the book, as we will be using it when we return to school. If there are any concerns, or you have trouble purchasing, please have your parents email me! The last assignment is a creative activity, which I know you guys love, so have fun with it!

Bring all of your completed work with you on the first day of school. Enjoy your summer and good luck! Of course you know you can reach me by email with any questions!



BEFORE YOU BEGIN....PLEASE COMPLETE THE CAST WIAT WRITING ASSIGNMENT

****We did this in the beginning of the year....the 10 minute writing prompt .**

****You will be logged off after 10 minutes, but that's not an assessment of how quickly you write, we discussed this, so don't panic, it's not graded! It's to see how much you've advanced as writers this year.**

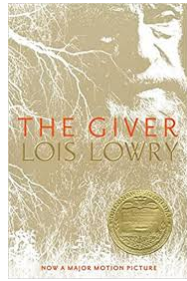
****There are NO wrong answers. Just use what you know about good writing and do your best. (I cannot give you specifics about sentence amounts, etc...Just use what you know)**

PROMPT: "You're going to write an essay about your favorite game and give three (3) reasons why you like it.

<https://wiat.cast.org/login>

Log in as usual (ex: LisaS pw -- 2021)

"The Giver," by Lois Lowry



Assignment #1

Author Bio

Who is Lois Lowry?

Research her using the guidelines below and write a 1 paragraph summary.
(typed...spelling/grammar count)

- Early Life (born (when & where), parents, siblings
- Hobbies, Schooling
- Marriage, Children
- Famous work(writing), Awards (if any)

Assignment #2

Literature Roles (Lit.Roles)

You know the drill by now! :)

*Role: Summarizer

For each chapter take bullet point summary notes of important info.

You will set it up in the format below either typed or written. If you type, please print and bring to class.

Chapter #	Summary Notes (bullet points)
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*Role: Vocabulary/Unfamiliar Words

As you read, keep a list of any unfamiliar words you encounter in each chapter.

Format:

Chapter #	Vocab/Unfamiliar Word	Definition	Use it in an original sentence
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*Role: Characters & Traits

As you read each chapter, keep a list of all characters and their traits. Update as you go along.

Format:

Character	Traits
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*Role: Luminary

As you read each chapter, write down a few quotes or sentences that seem meaningful to you.

Format:

Chapter #	Quote/Sentence(s)
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Assignment #3

Choose 1 project option below:

- A. Gift for a character – Create a gift for a character.
 - a. It must include a paragraph with explicit detail explaining your gift and why you chose it. (10-12sentences)(typed)
 - b. This must be homemade, neat and original

- B. Drawing or Painting - Create a drawing or painting of an important scene from the book.
 - a. Include character(s) & setting.
 - b. Be detailed
 - c. It must include a paragraph with explicit detail explaining your work and why you chose that scene. (10-12sentences)(typed)