Independent Novel Study

Student’s Name: ________________________________________________________

Title of Novel

Author:

Number of Pages: ___________

Novel Study Due Date: ____________________________________________________

Do not lose this booklet. You will need to hand it in at the end of your novel study. You are expected to have the reading log and word list filled in. Replaced booklets will result in a loss of 5 points.
**Word List**

*Instructions:* Keep a list of words that you have problems reading or understanding. Look up the words in your dictionary and record what they mean. Please see your teacher if you find no words for checking, prior to handing in. An empty list will indicate an incomplete assignment.

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## Reading Log
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## I Wonder?

### Four questions I had before I started reading:
1. 
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### Four questions I had while I was reading the novel/story:
1. 
2. 
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### Four questions I had after I finished reading this novel/story:
1. 
2. 
3. 
4.
Novel Study Activities

In addition to doing the mandatory activities (Reading Log, Word List, Group Discussions, I Wonder…), you will be required to select 4 additional activities. Two of the activities must be from list A and two activities can be selected from list B.

List A

1. Diary Writing
   Pretend that you are a character in the novel. Write three diary entries explaining three different events that occurred in the novel.

2. Character Web
   Identify all the different characters in the novel and describe the relationships between them.

3. Book Review
   Pretend that you are a writer for a book review magazine. Write an article evaluating the novel and make some recommendations to your readers. Do not retell the story.

4. Sequel/Ending
   Write a short sequel to your novel or rewrite a different ending.

5. Character Addition
   Create another character that would fit into your story. Write another chapter or choose one event to rewrite using that character. Remember to include a good description of your character.

6. Interview
   Write an interview with one of the major characters from your novel.

7. Questions
   Make up 8 questions about your novel. Four of the questions can be “right there questions”, two of the questions should be “search and think”, and two of the questions will be “up to you”. On a separate sheet, write the answers to your questions.

8. Author's View
   Pretend that you’re the author and describe the part that was the most fun or hardest to write. Explain why?

9. Character Evolution
   Explain how a character in the book changed from the beginning to the end.

10. Villains
    If the book has a villain, why was his or her punishment justified.
List B

11. **Character Comparison** Create Venn Diagrams comparing and contrasting the characters from the story.

12. **Time Line** Create a chronological timeline of the major events in the novel.

13. **Problem Solving** Identify four problems or emergencies that occurred in your novel. Make a chart listing the problem, who was involved, how the problem was solved, and other possible solutions to the problem.

14. **Mobile** Make a mobile that represents your story. Remember to include characters, setting, and events from your story. Place the title and author’s name near the top.

15. **Excitement Graph** Create an excitement graph. You must include a minimum of ten events and three ratings (i.e.: high, medium, low). Be sure to title each event or chapter.

16. **Illustrations** Draw three pictures. Include at least one illustration from the beginning, the middle, and the end of the novel. Be sure to include a caption.

17. **Map** Draw a map that includes all the different places in your novel. Include labels and a legend if needed.

18. **Diorama** Make a 3-D model from a scene in your novel.

19. **Book Cover** Redraw a different book cover for your novel.

20. **Self Comparison** Create a Venn Diagram and identify the similarities and differences between the protagonist of the story and yourself.
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Title of novel: ___________________________________________________________

Independent Novel Study Checklist

**Booklet** handed in with correct information: Yes  No  ( ____ /10)
Comments: _____________________________________________________________

Activity One: __________________________________________________________
Activity shows understanding of the novel: Yes  No  ( ____ /10)
Comments: _____________________________________________________________

Activity Two: _________________________________________________________
Activity shows understanding of the novel: Yes  No  ( ____ /10)
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Activity Three: _______________________________________________________
Activity shows understanding of the novel: Yes  No  ( ____ /10)
Comments: _____________________________________________________________

Activity Four: _________________________________________________________
Activity shows understanding of the novel: Yes  No  ( ____ /10)
Comments: _____________________________________________________________

Total Score: _________ / 50  Mark: _________

*If you feel that you could have done a better job, please make changes and resubmit your work.*