

**Mrs. Murphy's
Sixth Grade Language Arts
Assignments**

You must read two books from the attached Sunshine State Book List and complete a newspaper article on one book and a Best-Book-Ever Poster on the second book. Summer assignments are due the first day of school (August 2010).

Project 1 Newspaper Article

Pretend that you are a newspaper reporter. Write a news article about an event in, or the plot of one of the books you read. Your article should include the basic facts of the book: who, what, where, when, why, and how. This article should not look or read like your book report. To help you understand how a news article is written, read several articles from the newspaper.

Write this report on loose leaf paper and in paragraph form. Remember to write in cursive and use correct spelling, grammar, and punctuation. You may even want to use the column format seen in the real newspaper to make it look authentic. The article should include a catchy title that would draw a reader to the article, a location (written before the text begins), and the name of the journalist (you).

Project 2 Best-Book-Ever Poster

Divide a sheet of poster board into six sections and use the format on the attached sheet as a guide. You can be creative in the way you present this material but you must include the following elements on the poster.

Section 1: *Best Book Ever* - Write the book's title and your name.

Section 2 : *Outstanding Character* - Name, describe, and draw a main character.

Section 3: *Best Action Scene* - illustrate a scene from the story, and briefly describe (in one or two sentences:) why the scene is important or what takes place there.

Section 4: *Famous Quote* - Write an important quote from the book.

Section 5: *Interesting Scene* - Draw and explain a scene from the book in one or two complete sentences.

Section 6: *The End* - Explain how the story ends in a short paragraph. It is not enough to write "The End" on this section of the poster.

● Be prepared to talk about your poster, so pick a GOOD book for this project. This assignment includes an oral presentation grade.

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Language Arts/Social Studies
Supply List For 6th Grade**

- 2 one subject notebooks with pocket (one for each subject)
- #2 pencils and black or blue pens (No binders)
- Colored pencils
- Highlighter (s)
- Glue Stick (s)
- Scissors
- 1 package of wide ruled loose leaf paper
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 box of wet wipes
- 1 box of Magic Eraser sponges

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