

Dear Upper Elementary Students,

As part of your preparation for the upcoming academic year, you will be asked to read over the summer. Please select one book from the [Newberry Award Winners List](#) then choose a project from the choice board to complete based on your book.

The second assignment encourages students to continue reading from various genres over the summer. Reading at least 20 minutes every day will allow you to continue progressing along your reading journey.

We hope you have a great summer! See you in August!

Ms. Slayden and Ms. Andrea

## Project Choice Board

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Timeline</u></p> <p>Create a timeline of events of the story &amp; a map of the setting(s) throughout the book. Include written descriptions of everything included on your map, as well as the importance of these various settings.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diary</u></p> <p>Write as the main character to explain the events of the story. Your diary must have at least five entries. Make sure it expresses the character's thoughts, feelings, and ideas.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Make A Movie</u></p> <p>Write a letter to a movie producer! Explain why the story, characters, conflicts, theme, etc. would make a good film. Suggest a filming location and actors to play the various roles. Use proper paragraph form.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ONLY FOR BOOKS WITH A MOVIE!</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Picture Book</u></p> <p>Rewrite the book for younger children in picture book form. Include illustrations and a complete beginning, middle, and end.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Game</u></p> <p>Make a game for your book. Include details about characters &amp; their traits, problems from the story, and other details as part of the game's challenges. Include an answer key!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diorama</u></p> <p>Pick a scene from the book you read and recreate that scene as a diorama. Write a paragraph explaining the scene and how it affected the story.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Letter</u></p> <p>Write a letter to a friend recommending your book. Tell them what the book was about and why you would recommend it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>Write a letter to the author, explaining how you feel about the book and its impact on you.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Newspaper Article</u></p> <p>Write an exciting newspaper article about one major event from the book. Make sure to use an exciting headline and include details like: who, what, where, &amp; when in your article. You can also include a picture with a caption of the event.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Comic Strip</u></p> <p>Show the sequence of your story by creating a comic. Include at least 5 major plot points in your comic, captions, and speech bubbles to retell the story along with pictures. Use character names and details accurately.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Time Capsule</u></p> <p>Create a time capsule for your novel. It should contain items and descriptions to highlight the major events, characters, and problems from the story. Include artifacts, letters, or other important items. Create a card or label for each item with a description.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ABC Book</u></p> <p>Create an alphabet book based on your book. You must use all 26 letters of the alphabet. Describe setting, characters, problems, solutions, and other details from your book. Use complete sentences and be creative!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Characters Come Alive</u></p> <p>If the main character of your story had a social media, what would it look like? Create their social media as a poster, on paper, or even as a series of videos. Include character traits, experiences, thoughts, feelings, and actions from the book!</p>

Choose 1 project to complete based on your book from the [Newberry Award Winner list.](#)

# Genre Challenge

Record all the books you read over the summer. Get as many as you can in each Genre!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Mystery:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Poetry:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Magazine or Newspaper:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Fantasy:

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- \_\_\_\_\_
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## Science Fiction

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- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Non-Fiction:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Historical Fiction:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Biography or Autobiography:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Graphic Novel:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Realistic Fiction:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Free Choice & Other Genres:

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