

8th Grade Summer Book Reports

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Books:

Booke One: Lord of the Flies by William Golding

Book Two: City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau

Assignment One:

- Lord of the Flies by William Golding
 - Choose one theme you noticed in the book and prove in this essay that this theme was present with examples from the book with minimal summarizing. Discuss the theme and how the presence of this theme affected the story and what your thoughts on it are.
 - Examples of themes:
 - Civilization versus Savagery
 - Struggles to build civilization
 - Man's inherent evil
 - Danger of Mob mentality
 - Rules:
 - Times new roman font size 12
 - Double spaced
 - Minimal 2 pages
 - Remember to always indent before the next paragraph

Assignment Two:

- City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau
 - Write a reflective essay (100%) choosing one of the following prompts:
 - Describe Ember, what are some important aspects of the city? Focus on the literal description of the city, yet build your analysis by discussing
 - What could the city be a symbol for? Rather what does it represent in the text? Think outside the box!
 - Compare Lina and Doon. How are they similar? How are they different? How does each impact the other?
 - How does Ember come into being? Why is it built? What are the Builders' plans for the city? How do those plans go wrong?
 - Write about the theme of the story and the many things you might have learned in reading it.
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Essay Rubric

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Organization	A proper flow of an introduction, body, and conclusion in your essay	Somewhat of an introduction, body, and conclusion in your essay	No flow and/or no introduction, body, or conclusion in your essay.
Spelling and Grammar	No mistakes in spelling and grammar	Some mistakes in spelling and grammar	A lot of mistakes in spelling and grammar
Vocabulary	Used a lot of vocabulary words that you learned from the book	Used some vocabulary words that you learned in class or from the book	Used little to no vocabulary words that you learned from the book
Usage of Text	Was able to find proper examples from the book and reference and relate them to their points	Used an example from the book but didn't completely succeed at relating it to the point / Wasn't able to properly reference the example.	Used little to no examples from the book or used an example but it did not fit what the essay prompt was asking you to look for