

## Middle School ~ 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade

SLCS middle school students are required to read a minimum of two novels over the summer. Reading over the summer will help students improve vocabulary, comprehension, and fluency. The summer reading/writing assignments are as follows:

All middle school students are required to read two (2) novels. You can choose your own novels, but they must be on or above your Lexile levels listed below. You must create a poster board for one of the novels. The requirements are described below based on grade level. Answer the independent novel study questions attached for your second novel.

1. Create a poster board with illustrations representing the plot of ONE of the novels. Explain what the story was about. Include setting and all major characters. You will present your projects to the class August 14-16. The poster board should explain what the book was about. Please be creative and use a minimum of eight illustrations on your plot diagram. I should be able to clearly identify what the story was about, who the characters are, the setting, the main conflict, and the resolution.

2. All students must read a minimum of five (5) NEWSELA articles over the summer and answer the questions. Read as many as you can, the student with the most articles read and questions answered wins a prize in August. The articles can be found at: [www.newsela.com](http://www.newsela.com) and the 6th grade activation code is:

### 7th and 8th grade Assignments

1. Create a poster board representing the plot of the novel. Include in the exposition the setting and all the main characters, the inciting incident, and include a minimum of five rising actions, the climax, and a minimum of two falling actions, and the resolution. You must include illustrations and it must be neatly and creatively prepared. You will present August 14-16.

3. All students must read a minimum of five (5) NEWSELA articles over the summer and answer the questions. Read as many as you can, the student with the most articles read and questions answered wins a prize in August. The articles can be found at: [www.newsela.com](http://www.newsela.com). The 7th grade activation code is: and the 8th grade activation code is:

### Lexile Levels

\*This is a reference. You are not permitted to read a book below your level, but you may read above your level.

6<sup>th</sup> 855L-1165L

7<sup>th</sup> 925-1235L

8<sup>th</sup> 985L-1295L

## Independent novel study

Name:

Book title:

Book Author:

List the characters

Create a plot diagram

Explain the novel in your own words. (Minimum 1 page)

What did you enjoy?

What would you change?

What would you advise the author?