

## SUMMER READING 2024

Summer is almost here! It's time for sleeping in, hanging out at the pool, going on vacation and relaxing with friends! But, another thing that is wonderful about summer is that you have more time to curl up with good books. So spend a little time on a pool lounge with a book in your hand, reach for a book on the plane or in the car instead of the Nintendo Switch, or linger a little longer in bed so that you can dive further into your book:)

This summer, you get to read 2 books for ELA! The first will be a piece of nonfiction, and YOU CHOOSE THE TOPIC AND BOOK! You could read a biography about your favorite sports figure, an autobiography about a person who changed the world, or a factual account of an important event in history. Whatever interests you, seek a book (at least 100 pages) about it and learn even more.

After you finish reading your nonfiction piece, you will write a letter to Mrs. Saucier about it. You will follow the format that is outlined below and then mail the letter to her in the addressed and stamped envelope provided. Preferably, **this letter should be typed**. If that's not possible, please let me know.

When writing your paragraph, you will implement the ToSEEC method. Make sure every paragraph has a clear topic sentence, give evidence from the book and elaborate on it, and finally finish each paragraph with a concluding sentence. Don't forget your transition words and phrases to help you move from one idea to the next.

You need to get a jump start on this assignment! I ask that all letters be **postmarked by July 31, 2024** (meaning you drop it in the mailbox at the post office on or before that date). I'll get those graded and they will be the first grades for quarter 1. Have fun, do your best, and learn a lot!

Date

Dear Mrs. Saucier,

Introduction Paragraph. State the book you read, the author's name and an explanation as to why you chose this.

Body Paragraph #1. Explain one thing you learned about your topic.

Body Paragraph #2. Explain another thing you learned about your topic.

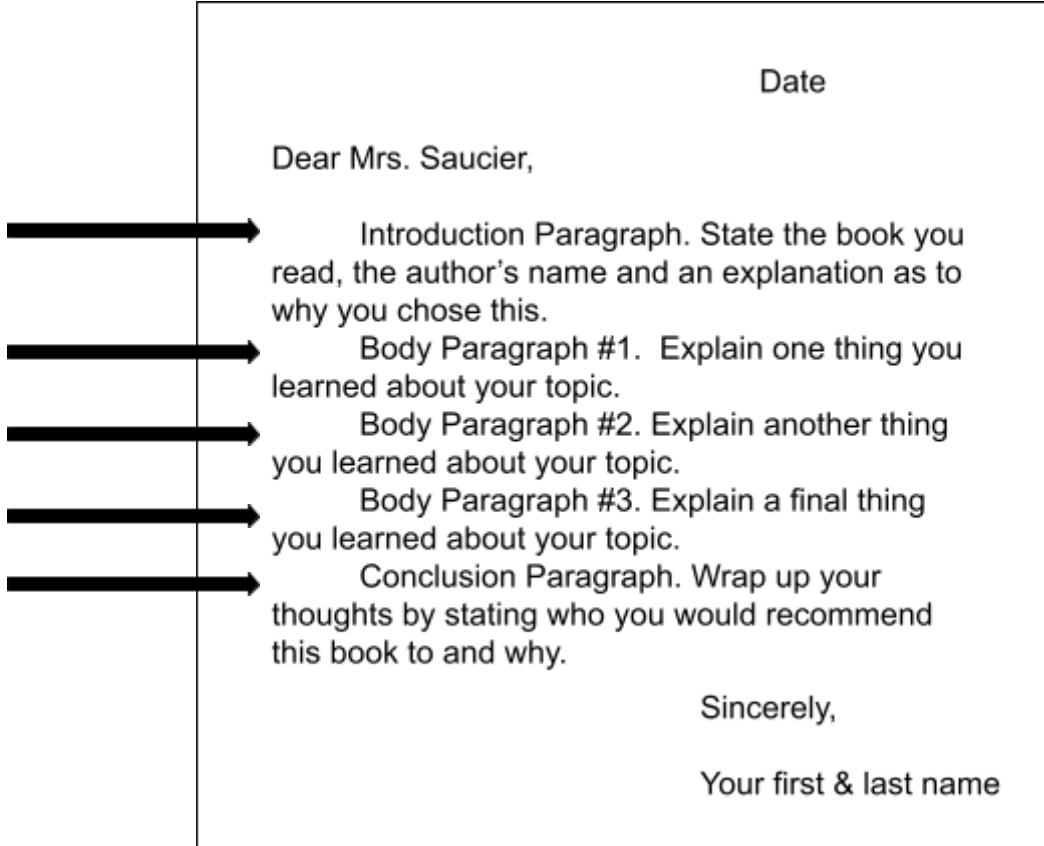
Body Paragraph #3. Explain a final thing you learned about your topic.

Conclusion Paragraph. Wrap up your thoughts by stating who you would recommend this book to and why.

Sincerely,

Your first & last name

Indent each paragraph!



The second book you get to read is a piece of fiction! Novel, fantasy, science fiction, mystery, romance, historical fiction... YOU DECIDE! I simply want you to immerse yourself in the story and enjoy what you read.

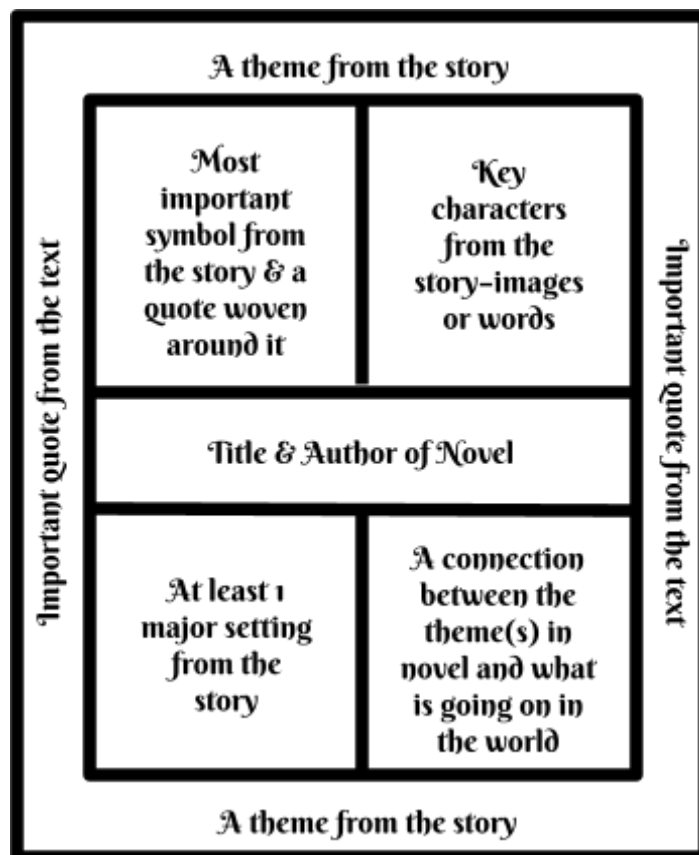
As you read this book, you will be completing a One-Pager. A one pager is a way to visually share key ideas and information from what you have learned. When you create a one pager, you are trying to use both visual symbols and important words to clearly and concisely share your most important takeaways with someone else.

I have provided you with a template that demonstrates where things should be included and a blank template for you to print and complete.

Here's what your one pager MUST INCLUDE:

- A border which represents 2 key themes and 2 important quotes from the story
- An important symbol from the story and a quote woven around it (upper left hand corner)
- Images or doodled words that represent key characters from the novel (upper right hand corner)
- Images or doodled words that represent at least 1 major setting from the story (lower left hand corner)
- Images and/or words that show a connection between the theme(s) in the novel and what is going on in the world (lower left hand corner)

You may also add other symbols, drawing and words that represent the reading.



Happy reading! Have a wonderful summer and we'll see you in August!