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DATE _____

INDEPENDENT READING PROJECT

Your assignment is to read a novel independently. While reading your chosen book you must complete three assignments that you choose from among the options below.

TITLE: _____

AUTHOR: _____

ASSIGNMENT OPTIONS (check your choice)

DEAR AUTHOR

Write three letters to the author of your novel. Write one after you have read the first third of the book, write another after you have completed the second third, and write your last letter after you have finished the novel. In each letter ask the writer questions, complain about his/her writing or complement him/her on what you like about the book. Each letter must be at least three paragraphs long (introduction, body, conclusion). Use correct business letter format for each letter. Remember, Word has a template for business letters.

POV

Write three creative pieces about your book in which you tell some part of the story from another character's point of view (pov). Write one piece for some scene in the first third of the book, write another for a scene in the second third, and write your last piece for the final scene or for some time after the end of the story. Remember how we did this for "The Story of an Hour"? Use the same process.

THE NEWSPAPER INTERVIEW

Conduct imaginary interviews with three characters from your chosen novel. Plan your questions to probe each character's thoughts, actions, and dialogue. Write this using an interview format. One of the characters you choose may be an interesting minor character, but the other two must be main characters.