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Honors 8 Summer Assignment 180 points

Summer Reading Assignment
Honors English 8
2021-2022

The following assignment is due on the second day of class. In addition, you will also have an objective test over the novel on the third day of class. The test will cover items such as characterization, plot, theme, and setting. Read carefully and please be prepared.

The purpose of the summer reading assignment is for you to work through the reading independently, exercise your critical thinking skills, and ultimately prepare you for what is next. The expectation, if you elect to take this course, is that you are functioning at an advanced level and that you are capable of working through these assignments without the help of an instructor.

Although it is fine to ask questions of your instructor or your peers, the expectation is that you will be turning in your OWN work. Do NOT work together with another person. Do NOT use the internet or other sources to help you. Plagiarism WILL result in your removal from the course.

SPECIAL NOTE: The completion of summer assignment is a requirement for this course. Failure to complete all or part of the summer assignment may result in removal from the course or a failing grade for the first quarter.

Text: *The Neverending Story* by Michael Ende

Assignment:

Complete a **Major Works Data Sheet** as you read this story. The sheet is attached.

Additionally, you will need to:

A. Analyze the character of Bastian Balthazar Bux. Find at least 10 quotes regarding Bastian that tell the reader about his personality, and how it is changing. *Explain what each quote shows. Your quotes should be spread out throughout the entire book!*

B. Find examples of at least 5 things in Fantastica that “mirror” Bastian’s life in the real world. Explain what these characters/things/places are reflecting, and why they are important.

C. Explain what Atreyu represents in part one of the story.

D. Explain what Atreyu represents in part two of the story.

E. Provide one example directly from the text that illustrates each of the 4 types of conflict.

4 Major Types of Conflict:

- i. Man vs. Man
- ii. Man vs. Nature
- iii. Man vs. Society
- iv. Man vs. Self

Make sure to cite page numbers for all of your quotes and examples!

You may handwrite or type your assignment, but either way, make sure it is neat and organized.

****Remember to bring the novel with you to school in August because we will be working with it for the first several weeks of school.**

I am expecting quality work. Please be thorough when completing your assignments. Do not wait until the last minute to complete these assignments!

Be sure that all of the work is YOUR OWN. **Cheating of any kind will result in a zero.**

If you have questions, contact me at kpancost@sailornet.org. Additionally, you can join the Google Classroom by using the code r6sqrhx

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Major Works Data Sheet

Title: _____

Author: _____

Date of publication: _____

Genre: _____

Characteristics of the genre: (5 points) *Please cite your sources*

Biographical information about the author: (5 points) *Please cite your sources*

Section C (5 points)

Explain what Atreyu represents in part one of the story.

Section D (5 points)

Explain what Atreyu represents in part two of the story. (*Please note: your answer should be markedly different than it was in Section C.*)

Section E: Conflict (20 points)

Find an example of each of the 4 Major Types of Conflict. For each, explain how it demonstrates that form of conflict.

Type 1: Man vs. Man

Type 2: Man vs. Nature

Type 3: Man vs. Society

Type 4: Man vs. Self

Final Thoughts, Questions, or Comments: (This part is not graded, but will help me to know things you didn't understand about the book, or anything you think is important that wasn't covered elsewhere on this sheet.)
