

INCOMING FIFTH GRADE SUMMER READING PROJECT



A NOTE FROM YOUR READING TEACHER...

Students learned so much in fourth grade this year! In order to help keep all that students have learned fresh in their minds and to avoid that summer slide, students are required to read the following novels below. Students will complete an in-class assessment during the first week of school AND a project that will be done at home. In addition to these assignments, we highly recommend that students read at least 20 minutes each day!

YOUR ASSIGNED SUMMER READING NOVELS:

FICTION NOVEL <u>Save me a Seat</u> by Sarah Weeks & Gita Varadarajan	NONFICTION NOVEL <u>What was the Titanic?</u> by Stephanie Sabol
	
<p><u>What do I have to complete?</u> A test <u>Where?</u> Complete at school <u>When will I take the test?</u> During the first week of school- be sure to bring your book! <u>How many points is this worth?</u> 20 points</p>	<p><u>What do I have to complete?</u> A project assignment <u>Where?</u> Complete at home during the summer <u>When is it due?</u> Bring completed project the first week of school. <u>How many points is this worth?</u> 15 points</p>



1. Fiction Novel- Save me a Seat by Sarah Weeks & Gita Varadarajan- Assessment worth 20 points

- Assessment: There will be a test (worth 20 points) **during the first week of school** on this novel. Students will be allowed to use their books, so please make sure they bring it to school the first week. You will find a novel guide below that is NOT required to complete but might be a helpful tool to help students prepare for the test.

*It is important to note that each chapter title has a character name. This will be the character who is narrating that chapter.

A NOVEL GUIDE FOR SAVE ME A SEAT-

THIS IS NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE BUT MIGHT BE A HELPFUL TOOL TO HELP STUDENTS PREPARE FOR THE NOVEL TEST

CHARACTER ANALYSIS

CHARACTER NAME	CHARACTER TRAIT(S)	TEXT EVIDENCE
Ravi		
Joe		
Dillon		
Mrs. Beam		
Miss Frost		

PLOT SUMMARY

BEGINNING	MIDDLE	END

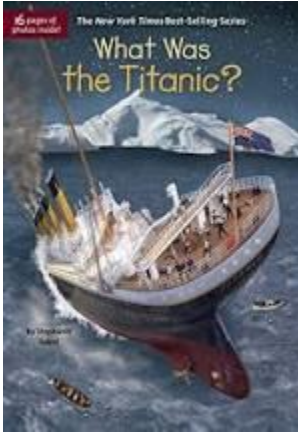
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2. Nonfiction Novel: What was the Titanic? By Stephanie Sabol- Project worth 15 points

Project: Create a “Ten Facts About What was the Titanic? By Stephanie Sabol” Poster



-Project Instructions: Create a poster for the nonfiction book you just read. Write 10 facts you learned while reading the story and add colorful pictures to illustrate your poster. Be sure to write your facts in complete sentences. Have fun and be creative! This project needs to be turned in during the first week of school.

*You may use a computer sized piece of paper or a poster. See the next page for some examples/ideas.

Grading Rubric –

10 facts in complete sentences _____ / 10
points

Colorful pictures _____ / 5
points

Total _____ / 15
points

Some Examples/Ideas

Alexander Graham Bell

Another thing he invented is the vacuum jacket. It helps people who can't breathe.

In 1872, he made the first long-distance phone call. He married one of his deaf students, Mabel Hubbard. They had two girls, Elsie May and Marian Daisy.

He also invented the telephone probe.

In 1876, he was granted U.S. patent No. 174,465 for his invention in telephony.

He was awarded the Volta prize in 1880 and he used the prize money to build the Volta Laboratory.

He invented the finger-spelling glove for the deaf kids he taught.

March 10, 1876 he makes the first famous phone call with Tom Watson.

Was president of the National Geographic Society. Also, his son-in-law was editor for 55 years.

Born on March 3, 1847 in Edinburg, Scotland.

That's the middle name Graham still he was 11 years old.

His hydrofoil set a world water-speed record at 70.86 mph.

He died on August 2, 1923.

The telephone he is known for is the telephone.

WHALES!

Amazing facts!

- At birth of a baby whale the calf is 14 feet long.
- Calves are born in warm water near the surface.
- A right whale is 58 feet and 100 tons!
- Killer whales can kill and eat a whale as big as they are.

A whale's blowhole
A whale uses its blowhole to breathe.

How wide?
A killer whale is as long as a fire truck.

Whales take whales use their tails to swim.

Killer whale!

Flippers
Flippers also help them to swim.

Vocabulary!

- baleen: a striped surface under the whales mouth.
- Some material as nails.
- calf: a whales baby.
- krill: little creatures whales eat.

Family
Father: Elias Disney
Mother: Flora Call Disney
3 brothers and 1 sister

School
McKinley High School in Chicago
Dropped out at 16 years old

Laugh-O-Grams

Bankruptcy in 1923

Walter Elias Disney
December 5, 1901 - December 15, 1966

Walt, Roy, and Ubbe Iwerks began Disney Brothers' Studio

Disneyland theme park opened in 1955
Walt Disney World opened in 1971

Characters
Alice cartoons, Oswald the Lucky Rabbit, Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck, Goofy, Pluto, The Three Little Pigs, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, Pinocchio, Fantasia, Dumbo, Bambi, Cinderella, Treasure Island, Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan, Lady in the Tramp, Sleeping Beauty, 101 Dalmatians