

Grade 6 ELA Honors Summer Reading Assignment

Hatchet

by Gary Paulsen

IF you have ALREADY read and completed an A.R. Test for *Hatchet*, read *The River*, *Brian's Winter*, or another Gary Paulsen book for this project!!!!

Copies of the book can be found at Barnes & Noble, at local libraries, or on various websites, such as Amazon.com or bn.com.

Read the story. Using the directions attached, create a Current Events Brochure identifying elements of the story. Brochure documents can be accessed through Microsoft Word. Go to Word, click on “New Document,” and scroll down until you see the “Brochure” option. Keep in mind that brochures need to be IN COLOR!

When we return to school in August, you will be expected to share your Current Events Brochure AND begin the year with a descriptive five-paragraph essay response to the novel. This essay will be completed IN CLASS! **Do NOT write the essay at home**😊

Your Current Events Brochure is due on Tuesday, August 28, 2018. Remember, this assignment is not optional, and will count as your first grade for the first quarter.

Email me with any questions at donna.knight@keystoneschools.org

Have a Safe, Fun, and Relaxing Summer😊

Dr. Knight

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Current Events Brochure ~ see enclosed example

Brochure Directions – Follow Format on Sample!

Title Column

- Title, Author and Illustration
- Put your name at the bottom of the first column

Column #2 – Exposition

- Main Characters
- Setting - where & when the story takes place
- The MAIN Conflict/Problem – what is Brian’s (main character’s) problem – what has happened to him that has led him to the place he is in?

Column #3 – Rising Action (Complications)

- Using bullets – identify three complications/obstacles faced by Brian. Choose three complications at different times in the story leading up to the climax. Choose from the beginning, middle and end of story.
- Make sure your complications are presented in order!

Column #4 – Climax (The Turning Point – Most Exciting Part)

- Identify how the main conflict/problem from Column #2 was resolved. What happened to make everything okay? Was everything okay?

Column #5 – Resolution (Tying up Loose Ends)

- Describe the ending of the story. What happened AFTER the climax? This is where you want to tie up any loose ends (ex: Cinderella married the prince and they lived happily ever after.)

Column #6 – Theme

- Identify the Theme of the story. What is the BIG message that the author wants us to take away from the story? The theme can be stated as in *The Wizard of Oz* – “There’s no place like home” - or Implied as in Cinderella – “Wishes can come true, but you may have to work for them.”

BE CREATIVE – be sure to include illustrations or graphics on each column of your brochure – FILL the SPACE!! All text should be typed!! Neatness Counts!