

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Book It Requirements

- ❖ Read a novel at your level (at least 100 pages)-check with Mrs. Z if you're not sure if your novel is okay or not. At least one book must be from the Battle of Books list. *RL10 Range*
- ❖ As you're reading, keep a journal:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> page of journal=formal paper with all your labels (1<sup>st</sup> and last, this Book It month and Novel Title), all other pages of the journal will be stapled to the first page. *W4 Production*
  - Journal entries (at least 8): Write the page you start and end on and how many minutes you read. *W10 Range*
  - After you finish reading that selection, you have some choices. You must have 2 examples of inference (I) in **three complete sentences** each. [I am inferring that there is a bad smell in the room, because the author writes that everyone wrinkled their noses. "As I walked in, I could see that Mother, Wyatt, and Michael were wrinkling their noses," (p. 45). I've seen people wrinkle their noses when they encounter a bad smell before, so that leads me to my inference.] *RL1 Key*, 2 examples of figurative language (L) in **2 complete sentences**. [The author writes, "Anthony raced to meet his friend," (p. 16). Anthony wasn't really racing anybody, he was just running really quickly.] *RL4 Craft*, 2 example of great word choice impact (W) in **2 complete sentences**. [The author writes, "...the God of Thunder made a very small rain shower..." (p. 70) That was great word choice, because it creates a strong visual in my head, and it made me laugh.] *RL4a Craft*, and 2 Summaries (S) in **three complete sentences**. *RL2b Craft* When you finish the novel, you should have an equal amount of inferences, figurative languages, word choices, and summaries. (It's okay if you have one more of a strategy than the others, but it must be about equal.)
- ❖ As you're reading keep a log of words that are more than one syllable. The formal paper should be labeled **VOCABULARY**, and you should have 10 words, from your book, listed. For 3 of the words, you must use context clues to find the meaning. [haughtily-"...Kirsti said haughtily...I never, ever did that!" (p. 19). I think haughtily means speaking as if you're above everyone else, because the sentence ends with an exclamation point, and Kirsti is defending herself in this part of the book.] For 2 words you will use affixes and roots to find the meaning. [momentous-I think momentous means full of a moment or really important, because the suffix -ous means possessing/full of.] You will look up 2 of the words in reference materials and write out its pronunciation and part of speech. [kayak-(kī āk) noun] You will look 3 words up in reference materials, and define the words. *L Vocab*
- ❖ After finishing the novel, label a formal piece of paper **THEME/PLOT**. Theme-In a half page, tell what the theme(s) or message(s) of your novel was/were. Be sure to use quotes/details and characters' actions to help show the theme. Plot-On the same paper, explain how the characters responded or changed as the plot advanced. Again, make sure to include quotes and details from the novel. *RL2&RL3b Key Ideas and Details*
- ❖ After finishing the novel, label a final piece of paper **CHAPTER/COMPARE**. Chapter-You will write a half page explaining how a particular chapter fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the text. Compare-On the same paper, compare and contrast the theme of this book with another book, story, movie, or real life experience with a similar theme. *RL5 Craft & RL9 Integration*
- ❖ Be ready to speak to the class about your book: book title, author, and genre, quick overview (without any spoilers), quick evaluation with reasons, and whether or not you would recommend this book for your peers. *SL Presentation*
- ❖ Make sure your work is neat and easy to follow. (Order of work, stapled neatly: 1<sup>st</sup> page of journal, journal, vocabulary, theme/plot, chapter/compare) *W4 Production*
- ❖ Turn Book It! into Mrs. Z. She will look at it and ask you to speak to the class about your book. You will then earn a certificate for a personal pizza at Pizza Hut!