

8th Grade Summer Reading Project Directions

After reading *Hunger Games* or *Island of the Blue Dolphins*, you will choose ONE of the following projects to complete. Also be ready to discuss in detail.

Projects:

Choice 1: Road Tripping: Hunger Games: What are the 13 districts discussed, and where do you think they would be located within the US according to their description? Use text evidence to prove it. (Try not to look up the answers...use your own critical thinking skills to determine.) Think about what each district produces and the needed natural resources around that area. Once you sketch it out and label it, explain where you would visit and why if going on a road trip. Choose at least five stops throughout the 13 districts. (There should be at least 4-5 sentences of explanation per stop.) Be sure to include a legend (map key), and make it colorful.

Island of the Blue Dolphins: In this story...you will need to think on a much smaller scale as this story takes place entirely on an island. You will identify the locations mentioned throughout the story and sketch them out and label each area. Next, you will journal five days on the island. Indicate what you did that day, where on the island you went and what you did in each location. Each day should contain at least 4-5 sentences. Be creative and don't repeat a day. Be sure to include a legend (map key), and make it colorful.

Choice 2: Restaurant: Create a name, menu, atmosphere (decor, tablecloths, dinnerware), and employee uniforms to depict this story. Draw the inside of your restaurant out on cardstock (8.5x11 is fine). Include the name, a set table, and employees in their uniforms, as well as a snapshot of the menu (This can be drawn in miniature or on the back...but must be legible.) Explain in detail why you chose the name, theme, employee uniform, and menu items. (There should be at least 4-5 sentences of explanation for each) Make it colorful. Bring in both parts of this project on the first day of school. (sketch/written)

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Rubric

8th Grade project for Road tripping and Restaurant Rubric

100 TOTAL PROJECT POINTS

_____ Overall appearance. (colorful/neat) (10 points)

_____ Include book title and author's name and your name. (5 points)

_____ All parts addressed (total 40 pts):

Road trip: map (10 pts), legend (10 pts), 5 spots/days indicated (10 pts), (*Hunger Games*)13 districts included/(*Island of the Blue Dolphins*)all areas she talks about within the story (village, foraging, fishing, stored boat, etc.) (10 pts)

Restaurant: menu (10pts), decor/theme...include dinnerware/tablecloth (10 pts), name of restaurant (10 pts), employee uniform (10 pts)

_____ Written explanation of each part chosen (total 25 pts):

Road trip: 5 places chosen/5 days explained

Restaurant (total 25 pts): 5 items explained: menu, decor/theme, dinnerware/tablecloth, name of restaurant, employee uniform

_____ Punctuation/Spelling/Grammar (10 pts)

_____ Total points earned