

Dear Middle School Students and Parents,

Your summer reading assignment for the 2021-2022 year is as follows:

1. Choose TWO novels from the lists attached to read. There are many great options to choose from. I encourage you to look up brief overviews of the novels before choosing to ensure that it is something you would be interested in. If you are stuck, feel free to ask me! I'd love to help narrow down some options for you!
2. After reading the TWO novels, you will be writing a COMPARE AND CONTRAST ESSAY. I have attached a Venn Diagram Graphic Organizer as well as an outline to help you write your essay. These two items will be TURNED IN with your essay. Your final essay should be HANDWRITTEN in blue or black ink. I have also attached the rubric for your to use as guidance for your final copy.

As always, if you have any questions while completing this assignment, please feel free to reach out to me. Have a great summer and happy reading!

Mrs. Gallegos

Checklist

☐ Choose and read novel #1

☐ Choose and read novel #2

☐ Fill out the Venn diagram comparing and contrasting the two novels

☐ Fill out the outline for your compare and contrast essay

☐ Write a rough draft of your essay using your outline as the guide

☐ Re-read and edit your essay

☐ Write your final copy in blue or black ink- please include a proper heading!

☐ Staple all of your papers together- Final copy on top!