

Academic English – Reading Response Sheet

Book Title: _____ Author: _____

Genre: _____ Year of Publication: _____

Number of pages: _____ Award received: _____

Use this sheet as a guideline. You will write on a separate sheet of paper and attach this sheet to your response. To earn credit, you must complete every section and include textual evidence in each response.

I. Plot summary - Provide a detailed plot summary of your book choice, including major events from the exposition, rising action, climax, falling action, and dénouement.

II. Literary elements - Identify the following (for each response, you must use quotes with page numbers to support your answer):

- A. Narrator – From what point of view is the story told?
- B. Protagonist – Describe this person.
- C. Antagonist – Describe this person (or force).
- D. Setting – Find a vivid description of your text’s primary setting. Record the passage and respond to the passage by discussing the mood created by the setting.
- E. Conflict – Briefly, describe the central conflict and identify the type of conflict (man v. man, man v. nature, man v. society, man v. self).
- F. Theme – Identify the text’s theme.
- *G. Historical Context – What parts of this book explore/illustrate the historical significance of its plot?

III. Reflection – Respond to the novel you read by writing a personal review. Some questions you may wish to consider:

- Did you like it? Why or why not?
- Were there any characters with whom you could identify?
- Did it remind you of anything else you have read? Explain.
- Would it make a good movie? Why or why not?
- To whom would you recommend the book?
- Did it end the way you expected? Do you wish it ended differently?
- *Include 5-10 facts that you have researched about the historical era the book was written about. Make sure to include where you found the facts!

Please sign below, and have a parent or guardian sign as well:

I do certify that I read the above book in its entirety this summer, and that I completed the worksheet to the best of my ability.

Signature

Date

I do certify that my son/daughter read the above book in its entirety this summer, and that he/she completed the worksheet to the best of his/her ability.

Signature

Date

*The questions that directly relate to historical context only need to be answered if you have chosen either: a non-fiction book or a historical fiction novel. If completed, this enrichment reading program will be honored in your social studies class. See your teacher to have points applied to your first semester grade.