**NOVEL PARTNERS HANDOUT** **FINAL PROJECT** **DUE: 9/25/12**

1. Choose a novel and a partner who is reading the same book.

2. Get together and devise a reading plan in which you

 divide the reading into four equal sections (i.e. If you are reading a

 book with 100 pages, each week you need to read 25 pages). You

 will have a week to read each section. Please include the

 due dates in your planner.

3. Submit your reading plan with your names and the name

 of the novel you are reading to your teacher.

4. Begin reading your novel and working on the assignment

 for Week 1.

5. Novel Partners will meet weekly – in class, Bronco Time, lunch recess,

 or on your own time, as well).

6. See *Novel Partner Sharing* section on the other side of this

 handout for what to discuss with your partner on a weekly

 basis.

**Reading Plan – include this in your planner**:

Week 1 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Week 3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Week 2 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Week 4 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **Weekly Assignment – due each Friday**

1. **Vocabulary**:

1. Choose 5 new words;
2. Write the words and the sentence from the text;
3. Guess the meaning (write it down); then,
4. Look up the meaning of the word and create a new sentence

 using that word in it.

2. **Summary**:

 a. Write a summary of the readings or a main events chart.

3. **Response**:

a. Tell what you like or dislike so far (including character, setting, plot, and/or author's style).

4. **Question of the Week**: See the list of weekly questions.

**Weekly Questions**

***Week 1: 8/27-8/31/12***

 Describe the setting. How important is it? Does it

 help set a mood?

***Week 2: 9/4-7/12***

 Analyze two characters. Tell what they look like and

 what their personalities are like.

***Week 3: 9/10-14/12***

 What's the plot? Tell what the problem or goal is, and

 how the main character is trying to solve/achieve it.

***Week 4: 9/17-21/12***

 Theme: What message or lesson is the author trying to

 get across?

**Novel Partner Sharing**

1. Read to one another your summaries, responses, and questions.

2. Discuss your opinions.

3. Read a 1/2 pg. selection you really like to your partner.

4. Quiz one another on your chosen vocabulary words.

5. Turn in your assignment.

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**Congratulations!** You’ve completed your first novel partner book. We would like you to share the novel with the whole class. This can be done in a variety of ways. Please choose **one** of the following ways or submit your own idea or plan with your teacher: (This will need to be cleared by your teacher.)

1. Mural 5. Skit 9. PowerPoint
2. Map 6. Diorama 10. Digital Story
3. Chart 7. Display 11. PhotoStory
4. Drawings 8. Song or Rap 12. ComicLife

**TYING IT TOGETHER**: Partners are asked to share this culminating event/project to encourage other students to read these books.