One-Pager Guidelines for Middle School

All One-Pagers must follow these guidelines:

o   8 ½ X 11 inch paper

o   Little to no white space

o   No pencil – only ink/markers, crayons or colored pencil

o   Title and author listed

Your One-Pager must include at least _____ of the elements below.

- o   Summary of the Book – Complete paragraph
- o   Important Quote – Cite page number, and describe why you chose it, and why it is significant for the book.
- o   Visual Image- Must include caption / explanation.
- o   Vocabulary – List at least 3 new words you learned, as well as their definition. Explain how you determined the meaning (inferred from context clues, based on roots, used a dictionary, etc.)
- o   Personal Response/Opinion –Did you enjoy the book, and why or why not? Would you recommend it to others, and again, why or why not?
- o   Connections – List at least 3 connection you made while reading and describe the type of connection it was. Dig deep…no superficial connections like "The main character has a dog, and I have a dog."
- o   Questions – These can be questions for which you found the answer, or questions you still have.
- o   Predictions – Write out a prediction you made during the book, cite text evidence of why you made that prediction, and then write about the accuracy of your prediction.
- o   Theme – Write a paragraph explaining the theme of the book.
- o   Character Development – How did the main character change throughout the course of the book? Be sure to give text evidence!
- o   Point of View – From which point of view was the story written, and why do you think the author made that choice?
- o   Genre Classification – Which genre does this book belong to? What elements of the story make it fit into that genre?
- o   Elements of Writer's Craft – What makes this author's writing unique and interesting? Give a few examples and describe what they are. For example: vivid imagery, foreshadowing, irony, metaphors, etc.
- o   Author's Purpose – Why did the author write this book? What is the overall message the author likely wanted readers to walk away with?

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