

***The Pearl* by John Steinbeck: Honors English 10 Summer Assignment**

Name: _____

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For each chapter of *The Pearl*, write a paragraph (5 sentences) summary that details the important events that occur. In addition to the summaries, complete two of the four assignments below. Please have all work stapled together for submission on the first day of school. Please contact me at CStrouth@wcboe.org for any questions.

Assignment Choices (choose 2 of 4):

Letter to the Author: Write a letter to the author of the book you read that explains your views of the novel. You might want to explain what the book taught you, why the book was particularly special to you, what you liked/didn't like about it, suggest ideas for a sequel, ask lingering questions, etc. Use specific examples from the book to explain what you mean. Your letter must be formal and at least a page in length.

Journal Entries: Create a diary or journal and write at least five descriptive entries that might have been written by a character in the book you read. The entries should share details about the story that will prove that you read the book. Each entry should cover a major event from the book. This overall assignment should be at least a page in length.

Rewrite the Ending: Rewrite a new ending to the book you read. Be sure to write in the style of the author. Do not explain how the ending should be changed; write as if you were writing the story. After writing the ending explain why you made these changes. This assignment should be a minimum of a page in length.

Book Review: Write a "1-10" score review of the book you read. Your review should explain your reasoning behind the score you chose and include information regarding characters, setting, conflict, plot, and themes. Your review should be a minimum of a page in length.