

Summer Reading Requirements: Rising 7th Graders

The Pearl by John Steinbeck

Due Sept. 21: Completely read the novella. Write a well-organized, five-paragraph essay containing the following:

1. Write an introductory paragraph which includes the main conflicts and resolution.
2. State the theme of the novella and expand on the following points:
 - a. Does wealth create happiness?
 - b. Are humans greedy by nature?
 - c. Are the effects of colonialism on native cultures good or bad?
3. Use two Bible verses that relate to the theme of the novella.
4. Evaluate the novella and indicate if you enjoyed the story. Why or why not?
5. Finish with a concluding paragraph.

Please type this essay, double-spaced, and title it “Summer Reading Response.”