**Independent Novel Study**

This will be your final assignment for our home learning *(completed by June 12)*. Your task is to find an independent novel you wish to read. You can also find an audiobook online if you wish. (completely your choice)

Assignment:

**Guided Questions: Pick 5 of the following to complete**

1. What is the time and place of the book? What evidence tells you this?
2. Name and describe the main character in the book. Describe him/her physically and describe his/her personality and history if known. Then give your impression of him/her.
3. Name and describe a secondary character in the book. Describe him/her physically and describe his/her personality and history if known. Then give your impression of him/her.
4. Describe a relationship between two characters. Include their history together and details of their relationship. Explain the significance of their relationship in the book.
5. Describe one important event that takes place in the book. Why is it significant to the story.
6. Find one specific idea, event, or behavior in the book that relates to real life. Explain the relation.
7. Share a connection you made with the story. (text to self, text to text, text to world…) What does it remind you have or make you think about?
8. What is the general feeling or mood of the book? Give examples of how the author creates this feeling or mood.
9. Give an example of a conflict or conflicts in the story: conflicts between characters, internal character conflict, conflict in society, etc….
10. What is the climax of the novel? What major conflicts lead up to it and how is it resolved in the end?

**Character & Setting Questions: (pick 3 – 4 of the following to complete)**

1. Explain how a character in the book changed in the story.
2. Explain why you would like to have one of the characters as a friend.
3. What problems did the major character(s) have and how did they solve them?
4. Write an interview with one of the major characters.
5. Write a diary entry as the main character.
6. Sketch a scene in the book you enjoyed.
7. Create a collage to demonstrate the where and when the story takes place.

**Reader Reflection: (include a-e in your reader reflection response)**

Answer the following in paragraph form:

1. Brief summary in your own words
2. Share what you liked about the book
3. Share what you disliked about the book
4. Who you would recommend this novel to?
5. Your personal overall rating from 1-10 (1 is low – 10 is high). Explain!