



Year 8 Challenge Tasks

You must choose ONE challenge from each block and write in which term you completed the activity. You must complete one challenge PER TERM, at home, and this will due back to your reading lesson teacher at the end of each term.

Make sure you do an AR quiz for your book before you start a challenge.

Please check the VLE as further details of all the challenge tasks are available in the LRC folder.

BOOK REVIEW	Term	signed
Write a book review using the bookreview1 sheet on the VLE		
Write a book review using the bookreview2 sheet on the VLE		
Write a book review using the bookreview3 sheet on the VLE		

CREATIVE WRITING – choose from one of the following	Term	signed
Write a new ending for the book. Decide what you would like to change and write two or three paragraphs.		
Write an epilogue for your story in which you explain what happens to the characters next. Consider how they might develop / change.		
Write a scene from the book as a play script.		
Write a paragraph about which one or all of the characters in the book you would want for a friend. Why? What would you do or talk about together?		

ART & DESIGN – choose from one of the following	Term	signed
Design a new cover for the book. You must add some notes explaining why you have drawn it as you have.		
Draw a full page (A4) comic strip of an exciting part of the book. Make sure it includes plenty of detail.		
Draw a sketch of one of the characters. Add quotes from the story and adjectives to describe them.		
Create an advertising poster for the book. You need to think carefully about including persuasive techniques to 'sell' your book effectively.		

CHARACTERS – choose from one of the following	Term	signed
Create a before/after list to compare the ways in which at least four characters have changed over the course of the story.		
Create a mind map/diagram of characters relationships.		
Create a Bookface page for one of the characters – template on VLE		
Write a text message conversation between the two characters.		

AUTHOR – choose from one of the following	Term	signed
Research the author and write short biography of him/her		
Write down 5 questions you would like to ask the author about their life and or books.		
Write a letter to the author explaining why you liked or disliked their book, and exploring the positive and negative issues raised in their book. Make sure it is written in a correct formal letter format.		

MISCELLANIA – choose from one of the following	Term	signed
Create a visual summary of the story using Tagxedo.		
Think of three other books which might appeal to the type of reader who would enjoy your book.		
Create trading cards for the main characters		
Pick out ten key quotes which reflect the book.		
Express book review Sum up the story in 150 characters – Twitter style – it is harder than you think!		
Film Cast: who would you cast for the main characters?		
Make a list of five alternative titles and justify the reasons behind your choices.		
Write a timeline of events from the story and try and make links between different events, explaining how they are linked.		
Make a PowerPoint presentation (3 slides maximum) promoting and advertising the book to other pupils.		