

**Summer Reading Assignment**  
**South Plantation High School**  
**Environmental Science and Everglades Restoration Magnet**  
**2009**

**Due on August 28, 2009**

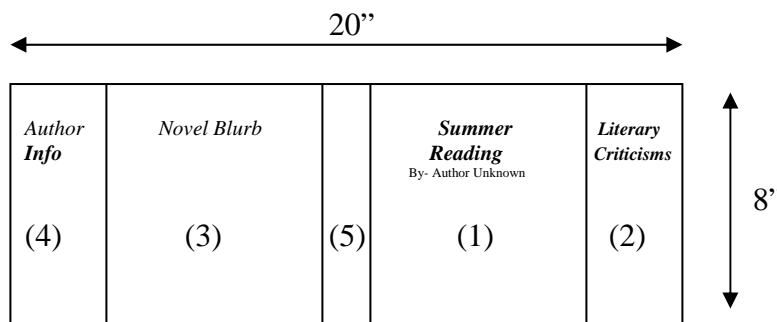
Part 1

All incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders will read *The Yearling* by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, complete the reading log, and be prepared to cover the novel as the first unit of study in the 2009-2010 school year.

Part 2

Choose a book to read (one you have not read before) and complete the following assignments. Choose from the following list or visit South Plantation's website to see more titles.

**#1- BOOK JACKET-** A book jacket is the outer cover of a hard-bound book.  
Recommended size in inches:



**Book Jacket laid out flat**

- (1) **Front cover:** Title of the novel, author, new cover design (do not copy the art work already existing on the cover of the book)
- (2) **Front inside flap:** 3 literary criticisms or reviews of the novel – include names of the reviewers. These should be professional reviews/critiques. (3-4 sentences each)
- (3) **Back cover:** Novel blurb (the purpose is to get a reader interested in the novel). You will write two paragraphs that summarize the novel without giving away too much information or a surprise ending. See the back cover of other books to understand the purpose of the novel blurb.
- (4) **Back inside flap:** Author information – 1 to 2 paragraphs that give the author's biographical information, including other works published.
- (5) **Spine:** Title and author

**#2 – SUMMER READING LOG** – complete the reading log.

THIS ASSIGNMENT WILL BE COLLECTED BY YOUR ENGLISH TEACHER ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 28.

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**FICTION**

*A Great and Terrible Beauty*, by Libba Bray

*Black and White*, by Paul Volponi

*The Body of Christopher Creed*, by Carol Plum-ucci

*Boy's Life*, by Robert McCammon

*Breathing Underwater*, by Alex Flinn

*Elsewhere*, by Gabrielle Zevin

*Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close*, by Jonathon Saffron Foer

*Flight to Freedom* by Ana Veciana-Suarez

*It's Kind of a Funny Story*, by Ned Vizzini

*Life As We Knew It*, by Susan Beth Pfeffer

*Local Girls*, by Alice Hoffman

*Marley and Me*, by John Grogan

*My Sister's Keeper*, by Jodi Picoult

*Shadow Divers*, by Robert Kurson

*The Last Days of Summer*, by Steve Kluger

*The Usual Rules*, by Joyce Maynard

*The Gospel According to Larry*, by Janet Tashjian

**NONFICTION**

*Fast Food Nation: Flight to Freedom*, by Ana Veciana-Suarez

*It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life*, by Lance Armstrong

*The Physics of Star Trek*, by Lawrence Krauss

*Seabiscuit: An American Legend*, by Laura Hillenbrand

*Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers*, by Mary Roach