



Summer Reading Project



Assignment: You have been tasked with directing the next summer blockbuster. Select a book from your summer reading list to adapt to the big screen. Use plenty of vivid details to explain your creative choices for each element of the story.

Title of Book:

Book Author's Name:

Setting

(When and where the story takes place)

Book	Movie
<i>Describe when the story took place from the beginning of the story to the end.</i>	<i>Describe how you would bring this time period to life in the film.</i>
<i>List all locations mentioned in the book.</i>	<i>Identify the actual places (city, country, etc.) you would use for filming. Explain why these locations would be the best for your movie.</i>

Themes

(The main idea the writer of the story wants the reader to understand and remember)

Identify three quotes from the book that reveal the author's main idea(s) for the story. Explain how you would represent these ideas in your film. Select one main idea from the beginning, one from the middle, and one from the end of the story.

	Quotes	Film Adaptation
Beginning		
Middle		
End		

Plot

(Series of events in a story)

Identify and describe 5 major events from your story that you would be sure to bring to the big screen. Describe the challenges you would face in adapting each event.

	Events	Challenges
Exposition <i>How you will introduce characters and setting</i>		
Rising Action <i>How you will introduce the main source of conflict in the story</i>		
Climax <i>How you will show the highest point of tension or interest in the story</i>		
Falling Action <i>How you will show the beginning of the conflict's resolution</i>		
Resolution <i>How the story ends for all characters</i>		

Character

(Person in a novel, poem, or play)

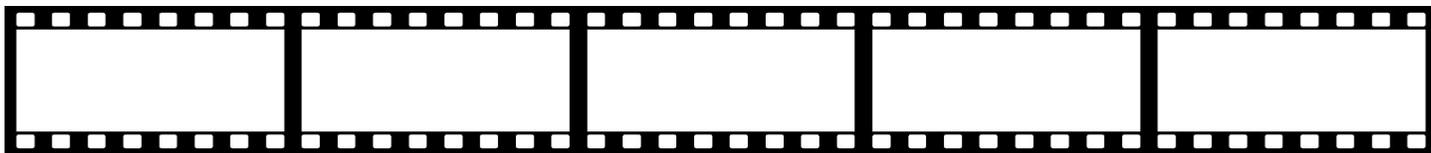
Name	Reasons	Appearance	Personality	Actor Choice
<i>Identify the name of each character you would include.</i>	<i>Explain why it is important to include this character in the film.</i>	<i>Provide any details about what the story character looks like.</i>	<i>Describe what each character acts like in the story.</i>	<i>Name the actor/actress you would like to play the role of each character. Explain why you feel this actor would be perfect for the part.</i>



The Cutting Room Floor

Identify the details you would choose to leave out of your film adaptation. Explain the reasons for each choice.

	Description <i>Describe the event and character you would choose to leave out of your movie.</i>	Reasons <i>Explain why you chose to leave these details out of the film.</i>
Event		
Character		



The Reviews Are In

Describe <i>3 reasons why people would want to see this film.</i>	Create <i>3 examples of reviews the movie critics would write after seeing your film</i>

Advertising

(Design a Movie Poster to advertise your upcoming film.)

