

May 19, 2020

Dear Parents,

This summer your child must read the novel, The Duel: The Parallel Lives of Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr by Judith St. George. This book is available at bookstores or on Amazon.com.

Attached to this letter are the directions and rubric for this assignment. Students **MUST** complete one assignment from each lettered column. Each assignment must be done on a separate piece of paper. Please encourage your child to be creative. All assignments should be done neatly and in pen or typed. This assignment is due on the first day of school.

Have a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. B. Harwick  
Mrs. D. Lennox

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions: Choose ONE box from EACH LETTER column (in total four items). Complete each with neatness, correct grammar, and on separate sheets of paper.**

<p>A. Write down <b>five facts</b> that you learned while reading your book this week. Which fact is the most interesting to you? Explain why in one paragraph (5-7 sentences).</p>	<p>B. Write down <b>five questions</b> that you have about your topic. Use the book or another resource to research and write down answers to each of your questions.</p>	<p>C. Create a timeline for <b>ten events</b> that happened throughout your story.</p>	<p>D. Write two argumentative paragraphs. Did Aaron Burr or Alexander Hamilton have more character?</p>
<p>A. Pick <b>three events</b> from your book and write a paragraph about the things that caused those events to happen (5-7 sentences).</p>	<p>B. Draw a <b>picture</b> that summarizes what you learned as you read this book. Then, write a paragraph that explains your drawing. (5-7 sentences).</p>	<p>C. Create a <b>multiple choice quiz</b> over main ideas in the book. You must have 10 questions and include an answer key.</p>	<p>D. Find a specific passage (include the page numbers) that made an impact on you. Write the passage out and in two paragraphs, explain why the passage was meaningful.</p>
<p>A. What connections did you make as you read? (text to text, text to self, text to world) Write a paragraph (5-7 sentences) explaining your connections.</p>	<p>B. Create a <b>venn diagram</b> to compare and contrast two ideas from the book. Then write a paragraph (5-7 sentences) to explain your venn diagram.</p>	<p>C. Write a <b>letter</b> to a friend encouraging them to read this book. Include a summary of the book and describe your opinions. Your letter needs to be at least one paragraph (5-7 sentences).</p>	<p>D. Create a visual (poster, PowerPoint, video, etc.) that explains the best scene in the book. Write one paragraph to explain why it's the best scene.</p>

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Content	Box assignment is completed fully. All questions are answered and text was used to support your responses.	Box assignment mostly completed. Most questions were answered and text was used to support your responses.	Box assignment was barely completed. Few questions were answered. Text was not used to support your responses.	Box assignment was not completed. Few to no questions were answered. Text was not used to support your responses.
Clarity	Drawings or writings are completed in a neat and concise manner. You clearly expressed what the prompt is asking for.	Drawings or writings are completed neatly and mostly concise manner. You mostly expressed what the prompt is asking for.	Drawings or writings are incomplete and not done neatly. Writing is not clear; you were unable to express what the prompt was asking for.	Drawings or writings were not done. Writing is not clear; prompt was not answered.
Grammar Punctuation Spelling	Writing is completed in full sentences with proper spelling, grammar, and punctuation. A variety of sentence structure was used.	Writing contains 1-2 errors in either spelling, grammar, and/or punctuation. A variety of sentence structure was used.	Writing contains 3-4 errors in either spelling, grammar, and/or punctuation. Little variety of sentence structure was used.	Writing contains more than 4 errors in spelling, grammar, and punctuation. No variety of sentence structure is used.
Accuracy	Book was used and student presented historical accuracy when answering the prompts.	Book was used and information presented was mostly historically accurate when answering prompts.	Book was used and few historically accurate facts were presented.	Book was not used and no historical facts were presented.
Organization	Ideas were well organized. Transitions used if needed. Paragraphs were used if needed.	Ideas were mostly well organized. Transitions were mostly used. Paragraphs used when needed.	Ideas were unorganized. Few transitions used. Paragraphs were not incorporated.	Ideas were unorganized. No transitions used. No paragraphs were used.