



Hialeah Gardens High School

Summer Reading 2017



Research indicates that students can lose up to three months of reading progress during the summer if they don't read. Hialeah Gardens High School requires that all students read the assigned school-wide novel during the summer months. The activities are reflective of different learning styles and several of them focus on high-order tasks as required by Language Arts Florida Standards. Students should be prepared to submit assignment to Language Arts teacher, as it will serve as a graded assignment for the first quarter. Students who fail to produce required task, will be issued a zero grade.

Part 1: Students are to select **one** of the two assignment options listed under their academy.

Part 2: In class, students will then be asked to write a reflection based on their selection and include a justification for their choices, using evidence from the text.

Please note that students enrolled in Cambridge, AP, or dual enrollment courses of any subject area, may require additional reading(s) as part of their course prerequisite.

School-Wide Novel:

Homeland by Cory Doctorow

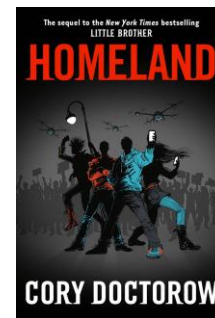
Product Details

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Synopsis

In Cory Doctorow's wildly successful *Little Brother*, young Marcus Yallow was arbitrarily detained and brutalized by the government in the wake of a terrorist attack on San Francisco—an experience that led him to become a leader of the whole movement of technologically clued-in teenagers, fighting back against the tyrannical security state.

A few years later, California's economy collapses, but Marcus's hacktivist past lands him a job as webmaster for a crusading politician who promises reform. Soon his former nemesis Masha emerges from the political underground to gift him with a thumbdrive containing a Wikileaks-style cable-dump of hard evidence of corporate and governmental perfidy. It's incendiary stuff—and if Masha goes missing, Marcus is supposed to release it to the world. Then Marcus sees Masha being kidnapped by the same government agents who detained and tortured Marcus years earlier.

Marcus can leak the archive Masha gave him—but he can't admit to being the leaker, because that will cost his employer the election. He's surrounded by friends who remember what he did a few years ago and regard him as a hacker hero. He can't even attend a demonstration without being dragged onstage and handed a mike. He's not at all sure that just dumping the archive onto the Internet, before he's gone through its millions of words, is the right thing to do.

Meanwhile, people are beginning to shadow him, people who look like they're used to inflicting pain until they get the answers they want.

Fast-moving, passionate, and as current as next week, *Homeland* is every bit the equal of *Little Brother*—a paean to activism, to courage, to the drive to make the world a better place.

Book Trailer: <https://youtu.be/ImNtlgDc0xs>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Valle at mrsvalle@dadeschools.net.

Assignment Options

Academy	Option 1	Option 2
Law Studies	Make a “wanted” poster for one of the characters or objects in your book. Include the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. a drawing or cut out picture of the character or object, b. a physical description of the character or object, c. the character’s or object’s misdeeds (or deeds?), d. other information about the character or object which is important, e. the reward offered for the capture of the character or object. 	Imagine that the book you are reading has been challenged by a special interest group. Write a letter defending the book, using specific evidence from the book to support your ideas.
Biomedical	Create a health plan for the main character(s) in the book you read. Include factors demonstrated in the setting, plot, conflict, etc. to support that the designed health plan is the best option for him/her.	Identify health concerns presented in the novel. Create a Public Service Announcement (PSA) promoting a solution for the health concern presented and make sure to cite evidence from the text to support your solution.
Arts & Entertainment	Design an advertising campaign to promote the sale of the book you read. Include each of the following: a poster, a radio or TV commercial, a magazine or newspaper ad, a bumper sticker, and a button.	There are scenes and lines that are unforgettable. Select a scene(s) and a line(s) from one of the books you have read, and explain how and why you feel they are unforgettable. Use evidence from the text to support your answer.
Finance	Make a timeline of the major events in the book you read. Be sure the divisions on the timeline reflect the time period in the plot. Use drawings, words or magazine cutouts to illustrate events along the timeline.	Determine the economic lifestyle of a character. Create a budget spreadsheet based on the estimated salary of a given character. Use the economic situation based on the setting, conflict, and plot of the story. Write to justify why the character’s salary and budget is as you have designed it. Find evidence from the text to support your response.
Education	Create a Top Ten List in which you write and illustrate events and ideas you have learned from the book.	Identify the character’s main problem in the story. Write to explain how you would have responded if you were in the same situation.
Hospitality & Tourism	Using the Internet, research what information is contained in a passport. Create a passport which belongs to one of the characters of your book. Be sure that the passport contains all of the information found on an authentic passport.	Imagine that you have been given the task of conducting a tour of the town in which the book you read is set. Write a video script or create a PowerPoint describing the homes of your characters and the places where important events in the book took place. Be creative!
Technology	Find five websites a character in your book would most frequently visit. Include the websites and an explanation of why your character would choose these sites.	Create a website, Facebook, or Twitter page representative of a character or design a video game software to encompass key elements of the book.
Engineering	Create a sculpture of a character. Use any combination of soap, wood, clay, sticks, wire, stone, old toy pieces, or any other object to create your sculpture. Then write an explanation of how this character fits into the book.	Construct a diorama (three-dimensional scene which includes models of people, building, plants, and animals) of one of the main events of the book. Include a written explanation how this information contributes to an understanding of the book.

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