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# JBHS READING RECORD

## Grade 9 Required Summer Reading Response

**Student Name (please print legibly):** \_\_\_\_\_

As you complete your summer reading books, write a brief response to each one. In paragraph form, please respond to the following questions.

- (1) What would you like to discuss about your book? Perhaps you'd like to talk about interesting characters, surprising events, the ending, etc.
- (2) What confused you about the book, or what do you think others might have found confusing? How could you help clarify those ideas for someone else?
- (3) How would you rate your level of enjoyment of the book? What influenced that? Be certain to refer to specific positive and/or negative aspects of the book.
- (4) What is the most meaningful idea you took away from reading the book? What details of the book made this clear? What do you think other people might be able to learn from reading this book?

Be certain to use direct quotations and specific examples from each book to support your ideas. Since you will be using your responses as a basis for discussing the book with your classmates at the start of school, be certain your responses have enough specific information to aid you in your discussion. You may also want to write a **brief** plot summary to help you remember details about the book. However, your score will *only* be based on your clear responses to the four groups of questions above.

Once you have completed the three reflections (one for each book), sign this form as verification that this is your original work and attach it to the top of your typed or handwritten reflections (no more than one page per book, please). Bring your completed reading response with you the first day of school. Your English teacher will collect it for filing in your Joel Barlow cumulative reading folder.

**Choice #1 (from the Grade 9 Required Reading List with an asterisk):**

**Title / Author** \_\_\_\_\_

**Choice #2 (from the Grade 9 Required Reading List with or without an asterisk):**

**Title / Author** \_\_\_\_\_

**Choice #3 (any book from the JBHS Summer Reading List):**

**Title / Author** \_\_\_\_\_

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An important part of the program at Joel Barlow is the expectation that students strive for the highest standard of academic honesty. Plagiarism is defined *as appropriating and putting forth as one's own the ideas, language or creations of another without properly citing the source*. We ask that you sign this form to certify that the work you are submitting is your own original work.

**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_