

## Summer Reading Study Guide

**Questions 1-15** will be basic comprehension questions. Familiarize yourself with the characters and main events of your novel.

**Questions 16-20** will cover your novel's plot. It may be helpful to write an example for each of the following items:

Setting: the time and place \_\_\_\_\_

Conflict: the struggle or problem to be solved \_\_\_\_\_

Protagonist: the main character \_\_\_\_\_

Antagonist: the force working against the main character-it may be another character, nature, society, or a force within the main character \_\_\_\_\_

Climax: the turning point \_\_\_\_\_

Point of View: how the story is told (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> person) \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution: how the conflict is solved \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions 21-25** will test your understanding of figurative language and literary elements. You will be given examples from your novel, and you will have to identify them. Try to find as many of the following elements as you can, however, not all novels will contain every element.

Metaphor: a comparison not using like or as \_\_\_\_\_

Simile: a comparison using like or as \_\_\_\_\_

Foreshadowing: hints or clues an author leaves to suggest future events  
\_\_\_\_\_

Hyperbole: a huge exaggeration \_\_\_\_\_

Personification: giving human qualities to nonhuman things \_\_\_\_\_

Alliteration: repetition of initial consonant sounds \_\_\_\_\_

Onomatopoeia: words that represent sounds \_\_\_\_\_

Imagery: writing that appeals to the five senses \_\_\_\_\_

Allusion: reference to a famous piece of literature, an event in history, or a famous person \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions 26-30** will test your vocabulary knowledge. Each item will be a sentence or two from your novel. You will need to identify the meaning of a given vocabulary word. You should use context clues and your knowledge of affixes and root words to help you discern the meaning.

Write down five new vocabulary words, the sentences from your book that include the words, and their definitions.

1. Word \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence from book \_\_\_\_\_

Definition \_\_\_\_\_

2. Word \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence from book \_\_\_\_\_

Definition \_\_\_\_\_

3. Word \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence from book \_\_\_\_\_

Definition \_\_\_\_\_

4. Word \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence from book \_\_\_\_\_

Definition \_\_\_\_\_

5. Word \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence from book \_\_\_\_\_

Definition \_\_\_\_\_