

# Required Summer Reading Students Entering 4è (8th Grade)

## English Required Reading

**Instructions:** Read the following two books and complete the required tasks.

[Of Mice and Men](#) by John Steinbeck

[Never Let Me Go](#) by Kazuo Ishiguro

**Task 1:** Complete these [Guided Reading Questions](#) for each chapter of *Of Mice and Men*.

**Task 2:** Choose one of the following activities to complete for *Of Mice and Men*.

1. **IN THE NEWS!** –Create the front page of a newspaper that tells about events and characters in the book. The newspaper page might include weather reports, editorials, ads, etc. The title of the newspaper should be something appropriate to the book. (Must be typed).
2. **SCULPTURE** -Create a sculpture of a character. Use any combination of soap, wood, clay, sticks, stones, old toy pieces, or any other object. An explanation of how this character fits into the book should accompany the sculpture.
3. **CHARACTER DESCRIPTION**- Write a FULL (physical, emotional, relational) description of three of the characters in the book. Draw a portrait to accompany each description.
4. **TIMELINE** –Make and illustrate a timeline showing events of the story.
5. **COMIC BOOK**- Create a mini comic book of the novel.
6. **LETTER TO THE AUTHOR** –Write a letter to the author of the book. Include descriptions of your favorite parts and characters, what you didn't like, suggestions you have for a different beginning or ending, and any questions you have for the author. (Must be typed).
7. **CREATE A MOVIE**- Using Movie Maker and music and images to summarize the plot, discuss theme, and identify the literary devices employed in this novel.

## French Required Reading

**Instructions:** Out of the three stories in the book below (*Ali Baba, Aladdin, and Sinbad*), students should read **ONLY** *Ali Baba*.

[\*Le Horla, Guy de Maupassant\*](#) (Collection Classico collège - Belin Gallimard) (French Edition).

**Task:** Complete the 3 quizzes in the book (Pages 17, 35, and 56).

## Spanish Foundations Required Reading:

"100 ejercicios para repasar la comprensión lectora" Vacaciones Santillana (5° primaria)

## Spanish Language and Literature Required Reading:

"90 ejercicios para mejorar la comprensión lectora" Vacaciones Santillana (6° primaria)