**English – Year 8 – Homework Tasks – Autumn 1 -2019**

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| **Week 1**  **Due: Thursday 12/09/19**  Create a fact sheet on the author of the novel that you are studying.  It needs to include information about their life and the novels they have written. (Do not cut and paste from the internet!)  **Challenge: make it as creative as you can, using images and colour.** | **Week 2**  **Due: Thursday 19/09/19**  Reading For 45 Minutes  You need to bring in proof that this has been completed either in your reading log.  **Challenge: Complete a book quiz on your chosen book.** | **Week 3**  **Due: Thursday 26/09/18**  Write a character summary about the main character of the novel.  You much include:   * A description of the character * What their personality is like * How they interact with other characters   **Challenge: Try to include some key quotes about your character.** |
| **Week 4**  **Due: Thursday 03/10/19**  Create the opening to a story that uses dialogue. Prove that you know the rules of setting out dialogue.   1. We use speech marks to show what someone is saying. 2. Always put punctuation INSIDE the speech marks. 3. Start a new line each time a different character speaks.   **Challenge: Use more adventurous vocabulary in your speech tags (e.g. he uttered with astonishment)** | **Week 5**  **Due: Thursday 10/10/19**  Show your teacher clear evidence of revision for questions 3 and 4 from language paper 1.  This can be in any form you want including:   * Mind map * Bullet points * Flash cards   **Challenge: redraft a question 3 or 4 from your exercise book making improvements to your work.** | **Week 6**  **Due: Thursday 17/10/19**  Reading For 45 Minutes  You need to bring in proof that this has been completed either in your reading log or English book.  **Challenge: Make sure you have completed at least one accelerated reader book quiz this half term.**  **Can you choose a challenging book to read over the holidays?** |