

Writing about a book can help you understand it better, and when we write about the books we read, we can share our experiences with other people. When you finish your book this summer, you can write about it in any of the following ways:

Option A: Write a book review for your best friend. Would you recommend this book to your best friend? Why or why not? What does your best friend like that makes you think they would or would not like this book? (Check newspapers, in print or online, and magazines like Time for examples of book reviews.)

Option B: Do some creative writing. Your creative work can be anything that relates to the book: a song, a poem, a short story, a play, a film, or any combination of genres. You can re-write a scene from the perspective of another character. You could re-imagine the plot in a different setting. You could re-write the ending. You could write a poem that deals with a theme or a character in the book. Whatever kind of text you write, include an explanation that links your creative work back to the book you read. Explain how your work is related to the author's work.

Option C: Select an interesting issue raised in the book. Write a brief explanation of how the issue was raised and why you find it interesting. Research the topic further, and write about your research, citing sources as needed.

Option D: Write an epilogue of the story – 5 years, 10 years, or 20 years after the book ends. Describe what the main character is doing, what he/she has done since the end of the novel, what he/she likes, and what his/her other interests are. An epilogue is a section at the end of a book or play that serves as a comment on or a conclusion to what has happened.

*All assignments need to be a minimum of 2 pages typed, double spaced using a 12 pt. font, the poem or song must be a minimum of 5 stanzas.