

## **Honors ELA Summer Reading Assignment Entering 7th Grade**

Novel: In The Footsteps of Crazy Horse by Joseph Marshall

Essay:

- 1 ½ - 2 pages typed
- 12 font
- Times New Roman Font
- Doubled Spaced
- 5 paragraph essay

Paragraph 1: Introduction (5-7 good sentences with details)

- Define the word “hero”
- Was Crazy Horse a “hero”?
- Address the Setting of the novel
- Address the main characters of the novel
- Include the Title and Author of the novel in this paragraph
- Must have a Thesis statement that explains what the essay is about

Paragraph 2: (7-10 good sentences with details/explanations)

- Topic sentence
- Address why Jimmy is having a tough time at school
- Address what Jimmy’s mother was trying to tell him as she was trying to comfort him - she said, “Your three parts Lakota are on the inside while your one part white is on the outside.”
- Address what Grandpa Nyles suggest that he and Jimmy do over the summer
- Address how Grandpa Nyles compared Jimmy to Crazy Horse when he was Jimmy’s age

Paragraph 3: (7-10 good sentences with details/explanations)

- Topic sentence
- Address the issues that the Lakotas were facing as the “white men” or “Long Knives” were entering on their land and not respecting them or their land

Paragraph 4: (7-10 good sentences with details/explanations)

- Topic sentence
- Address what leads up to the death of Crazy Horse at the end of the book

Paragraph 5: Conclusion (5-7 good sentences)

- Address how Jimmy changed as the new school year started
- Restate whether Crazy Horse was a hero or not and why
- Give your opinion of the novel and be sure to include why you feel this way