Summer Reading Assignment

Entering 8th Grade

Novel: The Boy on the Wooden Box by: Leon Leyson

Hero Essay

➢ 1 to 1 ½ pages typed
➢ 12 font
➢ Times New Roman Font
➢ Double Spaced
➢ 4 paragraph essay

Paragraph 1: Introduction (3-5 sentences)

➢ Define the word hero
➢ Was Oscar Schindler a hero?
➢ Title and author of novel
➢ Must include thesis sentence that explains what essay is about

Paragraph 2: 1st Body Paragraph (5-7 sentences)

➢ Topic sentence
➢ State the first example of how Oscar Schindler shows that he is a hero or not a hero
➢ Quote from the novel
➢ Support or explain how the quote shows the character's actions are heroic or not
➢ Transition sentence

Paragraph 3: 2nd Body Paragraph

➢ Follow same format as paragraph 2 with a new quote and example

Paragraph 4: Conclusion (3-5 sentences)

➢ Sum up what you've already stated
➢ Restate how Schindler is or is not heroic
➢ Give your opinion of the novel

*You will be tested on the novel during the first two weeks of school*