8th Grade Artistic Project for Summer Reading

1. Design a better cover for the book. On the back, attach a paragraph explaining your artistic choices and why it’s a better cover. Digital design is encouraged.
2. Rewrite an important scene in the form of 2 pages of a graphic novel. Look at graphic novel pages at the library or online to get ideas for layout and art style. Glue a photocopy of the real pages to the back.
3. Design a movie poster as if your book were a movie. Include names of actors cast in the various roles. Include critics comments. Digital design is encouraged.
4. Create an imaginary Instagram feed (using the online template) from the point of view of a character. Include posts from the phases of the plot arc: exposition, rising action, climax, falling action, and resolution. Make the character’s voice match their personality from the book.
5. Find or create an artifact or piece of memorabilia from the book to be displayed in a museum. For example, the character’s shoe or lunch box or badge or glasses. Write a paragraph explaining the significance of the object in the story – what’s so important about it? Write the paragraph in the style that you would find in a museum.
6. Pretend you’re a character from the book. Talk about yourself and your story for 2 minutes on video. Upload the video to Google Classroom. Or, work with friends who read the same book and film a scene.