# 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Summer Reading Assignment

\*For the third grade summer reading assignment students must select a chapter book of their choice and complete one of the following projects to go along with the chapter book. This assignment will be used for the first reading grade of the first marking period. Summer Reading Assignments will be <u>due the first Friday of the school year</u>.

## \*Option 1: Comic Strip

Directions: Using your own artistic skills or an online resource, such as http://www.toondoo.com/ create a comic strip illustrating the sequence of main events in your book

Example: Technology resources: http://www.makebeliefscomix.com/ http://www.toondoo.com/ http://donnayoung.org/art/comics.htm

# Assessment Checklist:

Comic Strip clearly presents sequence of main events in chronological order	/10 points
Minimum of 5-8 comic panels (boxes) with appropriate dialogue and illustrations	/5 points
Projects shows evidence of thoughtfulness and creativity	/5 points
TOTAL	/20 points

# \*Option 2: Alternate Ending

Directions: Create and write an alternate ending for <u>your</u> book. Be creative in your planning, considering how a different ending might change the outcome for characters. The ending should still maintain the original characters and progress logically (make sense).

Example: Think about how different the story of the "Three Little Pigs" would be if we consider the story from the wolf's point of view. What if the wolf made friends with the last pig, instead of trying to blow his brick house down? How would the story end?

Technology resources: Fractured Fairy Tales <u>http://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/studentinteractives/fractured-fairy-tales-30062.html</u>

### Assessment Checklist:

Logically, but creatively, changes the plot which results in different outcome/ending. Maintains characters and makes sense.	/ 10 points
Minimum 2-3 well-developed paragraphs with few grammar, usage, spelling errors.	/ 5 points
Project shows evidence of thoughtfulness and creativity	/ 5 points
TOTAL	/ 20 points

#### \*Option 3: Movie Poster

Directions: Using Publisher, Word, poster board, or an online source such as http://bighugelabs.com/poster.php create a movie poster for your book. On the front side of poster, draw or create a visually appealing poster which includes a persuasive title, picture, and statements which will attract attention and persuade readers to want to see the movie version of your book. On the opposite side of the poster, include starring roles (characters), locations (settings) and a brief summary of events.

Technology resources: Interactive movie poster creator http://bighugelabs.com/poster.php

#### Assessment Checklist:

Front side of poster has persuasive title, picture, and statements to attract attention. Images relate to textual elements	/ 6 points
Back side of poster includes starring roles (characters), locations (settings) and a brief summary of what the movie will be about	/ 6 points
Visually appealing	/ 4 points
Projects shows evidence of thoughtfulness and creativity	/ 4 points
TOTAL	/ 20 points