one-pager

A ‘one pager’ is a single page response to an assigned reading. It is designed to promote thoughtful knowledge of the text by allowing you to create your own representation of the text and your personal understanding of it. It should be creative, experimental and is a way for you to respond honestly. It connects your thoughts to the text. The more creative you allow yourself to be, the more you will get out of the reading assignment.

**DIRECTIONS**:

1. Write the title of the text (use quotation marks or italics, depending on the text) and the author’s name creatively on the front of the paper. No stick letters.
2. Pull out two quotations from the text and write them on the page. Be sure to include quotation marks.
   * Make sure you copy the text ***exactly*** as it appears in print; don’t leave anything out.
   * Your quote ***MUST*** be at least three sentences long.
   * Use quotation marks around your quote.
   * Put the page number and paragraph number in parenthesis at the end of the quote.
3. Draw a “cluster” or “web” around an important feeling, thought, or image you had while reading the story. Create the cluster so that it artistically symbolizes your thoughts. (Again – NO stick letters.)
   * Around your center word, write at least 6 words that relate to your central idea.
4. Make a personal statement about what was read. A paragraph of your own must have *at least seven meaningful, thoughtful, well-constructed sentences*. *Begin your paragraph with “I believe…”*
5. Write two Reading Responses for your story. These should be of good quality, have deep meaning, and discuss your thoughts.
   * Summaries are not appropriate
   * Your discussion must reference information from the story to support your thinking.
6. ART! Create several (four or more) visual images which relate to the reading.
   * All artwork on the page must be in color – pencils, crayons, or fine point markers work best.
   * All images must relate to our reading text.
7. The images and writing should cover almost the entire page. Very little background area should show! The One-Pager should be colorful and neat – no scribbles/doodles to fill in the background. Appearance counts!
8. Things to remember:
   * Do not just summarize the text
   * Be sure to use UNLINED paper
   * Don’t think half-a-page will do
   * ALL WRITING must be in Blue or Black pen. No pencil allowed.