**Bloom Ball Book Report**

*Roll of Thunder, Hear My* *Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor

**Directions for Activity**:

* You will use *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* to complete **12** of the activities listed below.
* Write your responses on loose-leaf/lined paper. You must write the TITLE of each activity before writing or drawing your response.
* All written responses must be neatly written and in COMPLETE sentences.
* You must complete Activities #1-9. These activities are **NOT** optional. For Activities #10-14, choose THREE of the activities to complete.

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| **Knowledge** |
| **Activity #1: Design the Cover**\*Illustrate the cover of the book. You may re-illustrate the cover of the book or you may create your own, unique design. You MUST include the title of the book, the author, and your design must be COLORED.  |  |
| **Activity #2: About the Author**\*Write the author’s name and four to six (4-6) interesting facts about the author. Below are two great websites to find information on Mildred D. Taylor.* <http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/26946.Mildred_D_Taylor>
* <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mildred_D._Taylor>
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| **Comprehension** |
| **Activity #3: Summary**\*Write a brief summary of the book. Your summary must be at least **5 COMPLETE** **sentences**.  |  |
| **Application**  |
| **Activity #4: Story Illustration/Story Map**\*Draw a picture or map of the setting from the story. Write three (3) sentences to describe this setting. Think about:* ***Where (what place) is the story happening? (Is the setting rural? Urban?)***
* ***When does the story take place? (Does the story take place in the past? The present? The future? What year does it take place in?)***
* ***Are there any important events taking place at the same time as the story?***
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| **Analysis** |
| **Activity #5: Powerful Part**\*Describe an exciting, suspenseful, powerful or sad part of the book. Write AT LEAST five (5) sentences explaining this part and WHY you chose it.  |  |
| **Activity #6: Character Analysis**\*Write a description (at least 5 sentences) of one of the main characters in *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*. You must include at least 4 character traits for this character. Use the Character Traits page included in this packet to help you. Make sure grammar, spelling, and punctuation are correct!The characters you may choose from are: **Cassie Logan, Stacey Logan, T.J. Avery, Mama Logan, or Harlan Granger.**  |  |
| **Activity #7: Compare & Contrast** \*Compare and contrast two characters in the story. Using the H-Chart circle, list 4-5 differences EACH, and 3-4 similarities. Choose from the following characters: (10)* **T.J. Avery & Stacey Logan**
* **Papa Logan & Mr. Granger**
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| **Synthesis** |
| **Activity #8: Epilogue**\*What is life like for the Logan family **after** the book ends? What do you think happens to T.J. Avery? Write a 1-2 paragraph “Epilogue”. (An epilogue is a short passage added at the end of a book or story that tells what happens to the main characters).  |  |
| **Evaluation** |
| **Activity #9: In My Opinion**\*Write an opinion of the story. Would you recommend it to a friend? Why or why not? Your recommendation must be at least 5 sentences with correct spelling, grammar, and punctuation!  |  |
| **For #10-14, Choose THREE Activities to complete!** |
| **Activity #10: Add a Character** \*Add a new character to the story and explain how he or she would change or add to the story. Draw a picture of the character.  |  |
| **Activity #11: Theme** \*Identify one major theme from the book and explain it in a theme statement. Provide two important quotations that are directly related to the theme you have chosen.  |  |
| **Activity #12: Name Poem** \*Create a NAME POEM (Acrostic poem) for your favorite character in the book. Each of the letters should be a word, statement, or sentence that describes/details that character.  |  |
| **Activity #13: Climax/Most Exciting Part** \*Draw or describe the CLIMAX of the story.  |  |
| **Activity #14: Vocabulary** \*Choose FIVE VOCABULARY WORDS from the story. Provide the definition, example, and synonym for each word.  |  |
|  **Completion / Neatness** |
| * All information is written/drawn neatly.
* All drawings are colorful, eye-catching.
* All information included in my responses is accurate/correct.
* Student’s name is included on the project and is visible.
* Activity # and title is included on each page.
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| **TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 100 points GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_****TEACHER COMMENTS:**  |