

# Summer Reading Presentation 4th Grade

Focus: You must read a novel of your choice over the summer. You must demonstrate your understanding of the story by completing the reading project detailed below.

## Steven Spielberg Presents: I Am the Director!

### Part I: Story Plot Map

As a director you must map the story before you can translate it into a movie. You may draw your plot line using a straight edge (ruler) or you may find a template to use as your base. Your story plot map must include the following from your story:

- \*Exposition
- \*Problem
- \*Rising Action Events in Order (at least 8 events).
- \*Climax
- \*Solution
- \*Falling Action

### Part II: Cast My Movie Chart.

You must decide who will play the parts of your main roles in your story. You will have to scan the rosters of present day actors and actresses or those from long ago to play your parts. You must justify your choices by creating and filling in your Casting Chart. In the first column you write the character and actor that you have chosen. In the second column you will list roles the character has played in previous movies. In the third column you must describe a role that your chosen character has portrayed that relates to the role you have chosen them to play.

You must cast a minimum of 4 characters and a maximum of 8.

### Part III: My Movie Trailer.

It's production time! Your production company requires you to create an engaging preview or trailer for your movie before they will release it for publication. You

must find the compelling parts of your story and create a trailer that will capture your audience and bring them to the theater.

\*You may make an authentic video trailer of your movie.

\*If you are not technologically inclined you may create a mock filmstrip of your trailer that contains a minimum of 6 captioned illustrations.

**Part IV: Prepare a Presentation.**

When you return to school you will be required to present your project to the class as if you are a director trying to persuade the production company to release your film to the theaters.

\*Use your chart to explain the parts of the story.

\*Use your casting chart to justify your portrayal choices.

\*Use your trailer to show your film has money making potential.