

***Directions:*** Your group will be given a chapter of Walden to read independently. Once read your task will be to create an **OVERSIZED** illustrated children’s book that SIMPIFIES what Thoreau writes about in that chapter. Your book must be in YOUR OWN WORDS (not Thoreau’s) except the 5 Quotes you MUST place somewhere in your book.

Your group’s book is due no later than **October 12th /13th** . Your group will present your final product in class.

Critical Attributes

* Must be between 8 and 12 pages that measure at least 12 inches by 18 inches.
* Each page must include a **HAND-DRAWN ILLUSTRATION**
* You must summarize Thoreau’s writing in the chapter assigned; no group can be larger than 4 students.

The Parts of the Book are as follows:

1. Cover – Include the name of your chapter, the title of the book, author’s name, one QUOTE from your chapter, your group names and illustration. See sample below

“Sounds” from *Walden*

By Henry David Thoreau

[QUOTE and ILLUSTRATION]

Translated by YOUR GROUP MEMBERS

1. Forward - One page that includes a 600 word typed introduction from your group which gives your group’s thoughts and insights about the chapter. The forward should be written for an **adult audience** and should address nuances in *Walden* that cannot be adequately explored in your children’s book.

Additional Questions to Consider in Forward

* What are some on the main messages that Thoreau is exploring in your chapter?
* How is your chapter in *Walden* relevant to a modern audience? What concepts most apply?
* What are the impacts of Thoreau’s literary devices on the reading/message? (ie., Greek allusions, complex/compound sentences, figurative language)
* Given Thoreau’s concepts in the chapter you have read, how do you think Thoreau would critique modern society?

\*The forward must be submitted into turnitin.com

1. Body of the Book (6 to 10 pages)
   * Summary/ Commentary
   * Quotes (5)
   * Illustrations
2. Back of Book – Include a biography of Henry David Thoreau. This can be done in bullet points. You must include a picture of him with his biography (this can be printed or drawn).