

Maniac Magee Culminating Activities

We've finally finished reading *Maniac Magee* so now is the time to tie it all together. You will complete one of the following activities on your own to showcase what you've learned. Please pick one of the following activities to complete by February 12. There will be time given in class, but if you do not complete it, you will need to do it at home.

Requirements

1. **CD Cover:** Design the front and back cover for a CD to capture the spirit or theme of your novel. The front should include the title of the novel and a visual representation. The back cover should list a minimum of five songs (and the artists who sing them) that relate in some way to the novel. Inside, you should have "liner notes" explaining, in detail, why you chose each song AND in what way it relates to the novel. This should not be a surface level connection, but rather one of some depth. Try to relate songs to one of the many themes or lessons from the book.



2. **Game Board:** Create a board game based on the characters, events, and themes of *Maniac Magee*. Be sure that the game is playable and that participants must rely on their knowledge of the book in order to succeed! Include all necessary pieces and remember to focus not only on basic factual information, but also more implicit information that relates to the overarching themes presented by Jerry Spinelli in the book (home/family, prejudice, and loss to name a few)



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