1A,B Summer homework 2019

1 – SING – listen to and learn two fabulous songs (you can find the lyrics on the Internet):

Count on me by Bruno Mars, and

Being kind: the music video that circle the world by Empty Hands Music, Nimo

2 - READ - Sherlock Holmes the Red Headed League - you can find this book at our book shop

- \Box read book,
- $\Box\,$ do the exercises in the book, and
- □ listen to the CD and try to imitate the speakers (pronunciation work)

3 - READ - ONE (or more) of the following books

You can order your book at amazon.it

Books from the following series:

- **The Littles** (*any title*) by John Peterson - fantasy and adventure series. The Littles are a family of tiny people living in the walls of human houses.

- **Cam Jansen** (*any title*) by David A. Adler – mystery series. Cam Jansen is a crack detective with a photographic memory. Together with her friend Eric, she solves every mystery that comes her way.

- **Magic Tree House** (*any title*) by Mary Pope Osborne – historical fantasy series. Jack and Annie, two normal children from Frog Creek, Pennsylvania, go on a mission with a magical tree house.

- Flat Stanley (any title) by Jeff Brown - Stanley Lambchop is an ordinary boy. At least he was, until the night his bulletin board fell off the wall and flattened him. All of a sudden, Stanley can slide under doors, mail himself across the country in an envelope, and fly like a kite!

4 – WRITE – a promotional book poster (a book from point number 3 – The Littles, Cam Jansen, Magic Tree House or Flat Stanley)

Include: genre, author, setting, character description of the main character(s), events from the point of view of one of the characters and a 'reader's comment'.

5 – **SPEAK - Prepare an oral presentation** you will speak about the book you chose for your book report after the summer break (use your book report to prepare). We will do this the first week of school.

6 – **REVIEW** – you can review grammar and vocabulary from Game On 1: pages 194, 195, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 211, 213, 214, 215 Game On 2: 187, 188, 189

7 – HAVE FUN! Explore the website Learn English Kids:

http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/ Visit this (or a website of your choice) frequently, at least three times a week.

Student Examples of Character Description, Setting and Events (with teacher comments)

You can use this to help you with the content of your promotional book poster

General settings (time and place):

- 1. The story takes place in the the late 1800s in Alaska, a place where snow and ice covered the land. There were streams, rivers and caves in the forests of the Northland. (*Add detail: were there any towns or villages? Humans? Animals?*)
- 2. The story takes place in the winter of 1838 in Alaska. The land was silent and empty. There was only wilderness. But in this dark and cold winter, forests in the Northland, there was life. (*Add detail: what kind of life? Human? What kind of animals?*)
- 3. It was autumn in California, the Southland. There were towering buildings, automobiles and electric trams. It was amazing and frightening. There were also a lot of houses in the Southland, and many woods. (*Add detail: where did Scott live? In the city or in the countryside?*)

Specific setting

1. Three years of the story was set in the Indian village where White Fang stayed with Gray Beaver. On the edge of the Mackenzie river in Alaska, there was a strange smell. There were big teepees, humans and fire. Maybe it was a camp. (*Add detail: was it big, small, busy place? What type of humans were there? What was on the fire?*)

Character Description

Lip-lip is a larger, older, stronger grey sled dog. Mit-sah doesn't like him because of the way he treats White Fang. He is a bad dog because he attacks White Fang (*add detail: when? Why?*), and cruel because he makes White Fang unhappy (*add detail: How did he make White Fang unhappy?*). He is unfriendly because when White Fang tries to be friendly with him, Lip-lip attacks him.

Gray Beaver is an Indian. He is tall and thin. He has long, straight black hair, no beard or moustache. He always wears a necklace. (*Add detail: describe the necklace*) He is patient and never angry. In fact, when White Fang swam to his mum in the river he didn't get angry. (*Add detail: what did he do?*) He is great because he is a simple, good person. (*Add detail: what did he do to show you he was a simple, good person?*) He becomes an alcoholic. He drank whiskey and wanted more, so he sold everything he had, including White Fang, for more.

Beauty Smith is a bald old man, but he isn't very beautiful. He's poor and wears old clothes. He has a long brown coat, boots and carries a bag. He always carries a whip or a stick which he uses to hit White Fang. He's cruel because he hits White Fang with his whip and he makes White Fang fight with other dogs so that he can make money. He's dishonest because first he tries to steal White Fang when Gray Beaver was sleeping, after that he gives Gray Beaver a lot of whiskey in exchange for White Fang. (*Add detail: how did this happen?*).

Events from the perspective of your character

Beauty Smith knew many things about White Fang's life. He knew White Fang was 75% wolf and 25% dog and that his mother's name was Kiche. The man was aware that the White Fang lived in the wood when he was a pup and that he stayed in Gray Beaver's village with his mother. He saw that White Fang was strong and brave and knew many ways to kill animals, and that his favourite way was to bite them on the throat. To make money, he had White Fang fight with other dogs.

Beauty hit White Fang. White Fang tried to escape from him three times, but all three times Beauty Smith caught him. One day a man named Tim Keenan came with his bulldog to fight White Fang. The bulldog was new to him. It was short, squat and awkward. The dog won the fight and at the end of it, White Fang was bleeding and almost died. Then two men, Matt and Scott, bought him and took care of him. One night, Beauty Smith tried to steal White Fang back. When Beauty Smith touched him, White Fang woke up, got up and attacked him. The old man tried to protect his throat. Then Scott and Matt arrived and separated them. After that episode, Beauty Smith never saw White Fang again.

Gray Beaver: I saw Kiche. She had a cub. It had small white fangs, so I called it White Fang. When I touched him, he bit me. I always took White Fang with me. We are friends. One day, I began drinking whiskey. I liked it so much that I sold White Fang to Beauty Smith for more whiskey. Now, I'm sad about my decision. A man told me that White Fang went to California with a man named Scott. (*Add detail: where did Gray Beaver meet White Fang? What events happened in the village? Where did they go after that? Did Gray Beaver know that Beauty Smith made White Fang fight other dogs?*)

Lip-lip: I know that White Fang was born in Alaska, but I don't know if he had any brothers or sisters. He and his mother went to an Indian village where I lived. He tried to be friendly, but I bit him. I was the sledgedog and he, the hated wolf. All the other dogs were on my side. When his mother left, I bit him hard, but Gray Beaver and Mit-sah, his son, punished me. One day, White Fang half-killed Baseek, an old dog who wanted to eat White Fang's meat. Then, White Fang killed me. (*Add detail: what other events happened between the time that White Fang met Lip-lip and killed him*).