3rd Grade Reading: Sarah Plain and Tall

C Layer (79 pts maximum)

The first four items are required.

1. Participate in class readings and chapter discussions. 1 2 3 4 5 (3 pts per day)
2. Vocabulary Quiz, chapters 1-3 (10 pts)
3. Vocabulary Quiz, chapters 4-6 (10 pts)
4. Vocabulary Quiz, chapters 7-9 (10 pts)
5. Choose 10 vocabulary words and make a picture dictionary. (10 pts.)
6. Write a one page summary of either Chapters 1-3, Chapters 4-6, or Chapters 7-9. (10 pts)
7. Pretend you are a widow or widower with 2 children. Write a newspaper ad stating you are looking for a husband or wife. (10 pts.)
8. Pick 3 wildflowers described in chapter 4. Draw a picture of each flower and write a description of each one including when it blooms, if it has berries, etc., You may use the internet or a field guide to help you. (15 pts.)
9. Draw a T-chart and compare the Kansas prairie and the Maine coast. (5 pts.)
10. Pretend you are Caleb or Anna. Write a brief (one page) friendly letter to Sarah as that character. Describe your life and share your feelings about Sarah’s arrival. (15 pts.)
11. After watching the video of Sarah Plain and Tall, complete a Venn diagram to compare/contrast the book and movie. (10 pts.)

B Layer: Choose only ONE. 15 points possible.

1. Make a list of Sarah’s favorite things. Take a poll of 10 classmates, asking them their top 5 favorite things. Compare their favorite things to Sarah’s. Show the results in a bar graph.
2. How did Jacob, Sarah, and the children use the natural resources of the farm to satisfy their wants and needs?

A Layer: Choose only ONE. 20 points possible.

1. Do you think life is more complicated or less complicated now than in 1910? Why?
2. Sarah came to Kansas on the railroad. Which traveling method do you think was best in 1910? Tell why your choice is the best.

3. What are some ways that people living in Maine and in Kansas might have earned a living in 1910? Do people living in these areas do the same jobs today as during 1910?

Grade Scale: 70 -79 pts = C; 80 – 89 pts = B; 90 + pts = A