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***The One and Only Ivan* Culminating Project**

Below are themes and topics present throughout the novel, *The One and Only Ivan*. Choose a theme or a topic to focus on for your project. For this activity, you will look deeper into a topic by finding evidence in the text, as well as doing research. In addition, you must connect at least one theme to your topic. You will display your information and findings through a colorful sidewalk chalk display.

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| **Themes** | **Topics** |
| Friendship  Loyalty  Survival  Sacrifice  Making Choices  Identity  Belonging  Love and Loss  Determination  Social Change  Selflessness  Freedom | Silverback Gorillas  Democratic Republic of the Congo  Animal Rights  Animals in Captivity  Seaworld  Real Ivan  Zoos  Ivory Trade  Exotic Pets  Circus  Animals Mourning  Human/Animal Relationships  Poaching |

**Sidewalk Square “Must Haves”**  
 Your name  
 Title   
 Quote from *The One and Only Ivan*  
 Fact/Information about your theme or topic learned from research   
 How your theme connects to you topic AND *The One and Only Ivan*

**Research**

Below are some questions to help you with your research. These questions ae meant to guide you – feel free to only focus on a few topics or to include additional information.

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| **Silverback Gorillas** | What are some important traits of silverback gorillas? Where do they normally live? Are they currently endangered? How do humans help gorillas? How do humans harm gorillas? |
| **Democratic Republic of the Congo** | Where is the DRC located? How many people live in the DRC? What kinds of animals can be found in the DRC? How is life in the DRC different from life in the USA? What laws does the DRC have about taking animals from the wild? |
| **Animal Rights** | What rights do animals currently have? How is the topic of animal rights different in the USA than other countries? How do zoos/circuses/exotic pets/ etc. fit into animal rights? What groups currently fight for animal rights in the USA? What are some goals of animal rights groups? |
| **Animals in Captivity** | Does the U.S. currently have any laws that regulate animal captivity? What animals are allowed to be held captive? What are the laws in NC? How have captivity laws in the U.S changed over the years? |
| **Seaworld** | How does Sea World use their admission money to help sea life? What changes has Sea World seen over the past 10 years? What problems has Sea World faced in their history? |
| **Real Ivan** | How did Ivan gain popularity? How has Ivan’s memory been kept alive at the zoo? How did Ivan’s story create change in public attitudes about captivity? |
| **Zoos** | How do animal lifespans in zoos compare to in the wild? How many animals do zoos rescue each year? How do zoo breeding programs benefit animal species? Have zoos been able to save any specific species from extinction? How do zoos use admission money to help animals? How many animals are taken from the wild and put into zoos? What organizations oppose zoos? |
| **Ivory Trade** | What is the punishment for poachers who are caught? What are the ivory trade laws in America? When did Ivory become popular? When was Ivory Trade outlawed? What countries still allow Ivory Trade? |
| **Exotic Pets** | What are exotic pets? What laws are there about owning exotic pets in NC? In other states? What are the dangers of owning an exotic pet? What are the reasons people like to own exotic pets? |
| **Circus** | Where do circuses get their animals? How do circuses train their animals? What changes to the circus have occurred over the years? Why is the circus closing? What will happen to the animals when the circus closes? |
| **Animals Mourning** | How many species have shown signs of mourning? How do different species express grief? How do different species honor their dead? |
| **Human/Animal Relationships** | How have human relationships with animals changed throughout history? How do people in different cultures view animals? How many countries/cultures have domestic pets? How do animals become domesticated? |
| **Poaching** | What is poaching? What kind of animals are poached? What are they poached for? What laws are there against poaching (in the USA and around the world)? What is the punishment for poachers who are caught? |

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| **Information from source** | **Source used (website, *Ivan* etc..)** |
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**Rough Draft of Sidewalk Square:** Use this space to plan out your square!

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