



## Tom Sawyer activity choices:

**Pick one of the following (or something else related to the novel that you would like to do) and be ready to present it to the class in two weeks. Please sign up with me ASAP and let me know if you are working alone or with a partner. I hope we will be able to cover most of these activities and not have too much repetition.**

1. List major episodes from the novel and compare as many as you can to modern events.
2. Many of the episodes would go viral on YouTube. Think about which ones and describe what it might be like. (orally or film if you are into that)
3. Select one of the episodes or events from the story and write it in the style of a newspaper story.
4. Select something from the novel and create a corresponding game. Note: You can explain or sketch out the components; you don't have to make the actual game unless you wish and have time.
5. Do the build-a-boy activity for either Tom, Sid, or Huck or do a build a girl for Becky.
6. Using the "junk" bins, make a miniature Tom Sawyer's World based on one of the settings and events that occurred there.
7. Research various charms and superstitions for removing warts or for dealing with some other common issue of the day. And/or devise your own charm to remove warts or handle some other issue from Tom's era or from the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.
8. Plan and perform a skit of one of the episodes from the novel.
9. Research funeral traditions of Tom's time and compare them with current traditions in America or in other countries. Why do you think such traditions developed in each time frame and culture?
10. Research "examinations" from Tom's world of school. How was school of Tom's day different from your school? Are there any similarities?
11. Research the cave. Study the formation, size, environment and uses of caves. What are stalactites and stalagmites? What animals and insects live in caves? What is most dangerous about caves? What do you think is most awesome about caves? What are some of the most famous caves in the world and why have they been so important?