

8th Grade Fiction Summer Reading Book Talk Presentation

A book talk is a presentation of the book designed to create interest in the book (you are persuading the audience to read the book). Each student must choose a book from the book list OR one of their choosing. The book should be grade level appropriate and at least 150 pages in length. STUDENTS MAY NOT CHOOSE A BOOK THAT HAS BEEN TAUGHT IN 6th or 7th GRADE. Take the time to choose a book you will like to read.

PRESENTATION: Book talk presentation is due on Monday, August 24, 2009. You will present in your language arts class beginning on that date.

CRITERIA:

- Copy of the book with you
- 5-7 minutes in length
- Descriptive, convincing, engaging
- Begin with the title and author. Include author information including other books written.
- Summarize the book. Do not give away too much of the ending, but tell enough to intrigue the audience. You must include specific details about the plot, setting, and characters.
- Discuss your opinion of the book (good or bad) and whether or not you think others may like the book. Give specific reasons.
- Read a particular quote or passage you particularly liked or that stood out, explain it, and tell its importance in the text.
- Include a CREATIVE visual for your presentation about your book. It can be a poster, book jacket, collage, map, song, picture book, etc. Make sure your visual is original, creative, and of excellent quality.
- If you choose to use technology, you MUST bring in the project on a CD or flashdrive that was created using THE SAME VERSION of PowerPoint, etc. THAT IS USED AT SCHOOL. If you have Vista or other updated programs, save as an older version on the CD so it will work at school.
- Be prepared, speak clearly, have eye contact with the audience, and use your enthusiasm!
- Print the rubric and turn it in the day of the presentation with your visual.
- PRACTICE! PRACTICE! PRACTICE! You only have 5-7 minutes.

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NAME: _____

DATE: _____

BLOCK: _____

<p>Author and title are discussed, along with further information regarding the author. Some information about the illustrator or cover can also be included here.</p>	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10</p>
<p>Discussion of the book and the summary. The speaker obviously read the book and discusses specific examples and details from the novel. The speaker also intrigues the audience without giving away too much of the ending.</p>	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20</p>
<p>The speaker offers his or her opinion of the book (both good and/or bad) giving specific reasons for the opinion.</p>	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15</p>
<p>The speaker chose a passage or quote from the book and discussed its importance in detail. The passage chosen was clearly important in the novel.</p>	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20</p>
<p>The visual the speaker created is clearly related to the important aspects of the book. It is creative and or high quality. The speaker obviously spent time on creating an effective visual.</p>	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20</p>
<p>Presentation: the presentation lasts 5-7 minutes and the speaker is clearly prepared for the assignment. The speaker is enthusiastic, uses good eye-contact, and speaks loudly and clearly.</p>	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15</p>
<p>COMMENTS:</p>	
<p>TOTAL:</p>	