

8th Grade Book Reports

You will have a book report due at the end of each quarter. You can choose any genre you like, but one must be non-fiction and you may not read the same genre twice. Each book must be at your reading level or above and something you have not read before. I am taking you at your word that you have not read the book before. (If you are not sure about a book, please ask me before you start to read it.) The idea is to read something new and interesting. I will give you the date each report is due and the presentation date at the beginning of each quarter.

You must answer 5 questions from the list below. Write your answers in complete sentences, one paragraph per question. There are one set of questions for non-fiction books and one set for fiction books. The first question for each report will be the summary question. Then you can pick any other 4 questions you would like to answer about your book.

Remember you also have to present this book to the class. When you present you need to give a brief summary of the book, answer one of the questions from the sheet and then tell the class why you would or would not recommend this book for them to read. You must give specific details and reasons for your decision.

QUESTIONS:

1. Summary (For all type of books---always the first question answered)

Non-Fiction Books

2. Important Facts: What are three important facts you learned from reading this book? Remember do not write your opinion and do not list dates of birth or death as an important fact.
3. Information: What is the most important thing that you learned about this subject?
4. Surprises: Describe two things that surprised you in this book.
5. Questions: What questions do you still have about this topic? You must write at two questions.
6. Where could you find answers to theses questions? You must have 2 additional Sources. They can either be exact websites or specific book titles.

Fiction Books

2. Favorite Scene: Describe with details the setting of your favorite scene in the Book. Be sure to include where and when this scene is taking place.
3. Interesting Character: What character traits does this character possess that makes him/her special? Name the character traits and give specific examples from the story.
4. Conflict: What was the major problem in this story?
5. Resolution: Describe how the problem was solved. Be specific.
6. One thing I would change about this story is . . .