

Book Report Check List

You have a month to work on each book report. Plan your time to: read, make notes, think, and then write & rewrite! Your 2 grades will reflect your efforts.

Have someone proofread your writing. Check off each item on the left hand side.

CONTENT

FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS & PRESENTATION

Title Page

- I have turned my work in, on time.....
- I have put my name on the top right of first page.....
- Heading, book title, & author needed....
- My book title is underlined (neatly/straight).....
- I have included the author's name.....
- I have spelled the author's name correctly
- I have spaced out each of these lines & headings.....
- I have turned my work in, on time.....
- I have put my name in correct place.....
- Heading tells : Book Report for ___ (name of month).....
- My book title is visible.....

Setting & Characters

- I have noted the setting:especially time(s) place(s)
- Good choice for **MAJOR** character(s)1 or 2 usually
- MINOR** characters, listed
- I have done this part in the correct order....
- The spelling of the setting(s) is correct
- Character names are correctly spelled.
- Minor characters' names spelled correctly.....
- The word "characters" spelled correctly.....

Summary

- First sentence includes the main characters(s) I chose/ listed above.....
- I have told the plot chronologically
- It is obvious that I divided the story into 3 (more or less equal)parts.
- I have included just the important events vs
- There are No missing/ important details
- A full ending given
- My 3 paragraphs are more or less even.....
- Good vocabulary/ expression used
- I have shown the reason for the title.....
- My **summary** is not more than 2 pages of handwriting.....
- My summary shows I have read the whole book.....
- I have not said "this book is about"
- Only **PAST TENSE VERBS** used.....
- Minute by minute details given (a no no)
- I have written from margin to edge on right.....
- No Important details missing.....
- My 3 paragraphs are all easily identified
- I have avoided repetition: words / phrases.....
- "Get" (or any of its forms)only used ONCE.....
- I went over the limit because.....
- My work looks like a careful 2nd draft.....
- My work looks like a corrected 1st.draft.....

Theme

- After my summary I have written **The Theme**
- My Theme work looks like a small **paragraph**.....
- My writing is very neat....neat enough.....
- could be neater.....
- I have not written in space at bottom of page.....
- I have written from the margin to the edge at right.....
- I have thought about the Big Idea in this story and expressed it in one word...in a statement sentence....
- There are: no messy spots....somemany.....
- No whiteout.....a little..... lots of
- I have checked off this check list on the lines on the left hand side.....
- Then, I have added **three** separate sentences.....
- Each sentence gives a different event & uses character's **names** to show specific examples of the theme.....
- I have included this check list.....

My Content RD grade should be.....

My Grade for following directions & presentation should be.

Errors which affect this grade - minus 2pts. each

capitalization..... grammar..... punctuation.....

expression..... spelling....