

Quarterly Book Reports

Each quarter, students are required to do a book report. Books chosen for the report must be on the student's independent reading level. (We will determine this level each quarter, and the results will be sent home.) The book must be from one of the genres listed below and be at least 100 pages long. If the book is more than 100 pages, the entire book must be read to be able to do the report on that book. The genre chosen should be different each quarter. Please check with me if you are not sure whether your chosen book is acceptable or not.

In addition to reading the book, students will complete the book report form and one project from the list below. The project selected must be different each quarter. Both the form and project requirements are attached and can be found on my school web page as well as in the classroom.

The due dates for each book report is listed below, in each student's agenda, and on my school website. Completed reports (form and project) may be turned in any time during the week the report is due. ALL reports must be turned in no later than the due date. **I WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY LATE REPORTS**, so please plan your time accordingly.

Each book report will receive a grade for the book report form (25 pts) and the project (75 pts) for a total of 100 points. Each project is worth the same amount of points. The more creative and fun the project is, the better the grade. Sentence structure, spelling, grammar, and punctuation are also considered in the overall grade.

GENRES:

- Realistic Fiction: story takes place in modern times; events could happen in real life
- Historical Fiction: time and place from the past; events or characters are a mix of fact and fiction
- Informational: factual information about people, events, places; may have maps, photos, diagrams, illustrations, or charts to help explain the facts
- Poetry: written in lines and stanzas; has lots of figurative language; may or may not rhyme
- Biography/Autobiography: true story about a real person's life from the past or present
- Science Fiction: stories about science and technology of the future; setting is usually in the future, in space, or on a different world or universe
- Mystery: puzzling event or situation; centered around a person who investigates a wrong doing or is employed to obtain secret information
- Adventure: main theme is risk or danger; plot focuses on actions of the main character
- Fantasy: contains elements that are not realistic such as talking animals, magical powers, or mythical creatures

PROJECTS:

- Make a puppet
- Advertise the book
- Write a Letter
- Create a book jacket
- Make a mobile
- Make a Picture Book
- Interview the main character
- Make a travel brochure

DUE DATES:

Quarter 1: October 20, 2017

Quarter 2: January 12, 2018

Quarter 3: March 9, 2018

Quarter 4: May 18, 2018