



6th Grade Language Arts & Reading Book Project

You will be expected to independently read at least 1 novel at or near your appropriate level based on your SRI score. You may check out books from the classroom, school, or library or borrow books from family members or friends. After reading your book, choose *one* of the following activities to complete and follow all 3 Book Project Guidelines.

Book Project Guidelines

1. Book Project Activity:

- Complete one Book Project Activity from the list below.
- If you want to complete a Book Project Activity not listed below, please confirm your activity with me in advance.
- All art work and illustrations should be in color.

2. Written Requirement:

- Each project listed below has a written requirement (See Book Project Activities list below).
- There is a 400 word minimum and 500 word maximum for all writing in your project
- All writing should be typed and double spaced.
- Your writing should have NO grammar or spelling errors!!!

3. Book Talk:

- Complete a book talk, as an oral presentation to the class.
- Follow the Book Talk Overview (we'll work on this in class).

Book Project Due Date

Book Project:

Term 1 Book Project - Genre: Free Choice

Project due date:

10/13/17

Book Project Activities

1. **Interview:** Interview a character from your book. Write at least 10 questions that will give the character the opportunity to discuss his/her thoughts and feelings about his/her role in the story. Then pretend you are the character and answer the questions. *Questions must be thoughtful and should not be factual.*
2. **Diary:** Write a diary that one of the story's main characters might have kept before, during, or after the book's events. *You must include the character's thoughts and feelings in the diary.* Remember to tell me if the diary entries take place before, during or after the book. At least 7 entries are required.
3. **Letter to movie producer:** Imagine that you are the author of the book you have just read. Suddenly the book becomes a best seller. Write a letter to a movie producer trying to get that person interested in making your book into a movie. *Explain in detail why the story, characters, and setting would make a good film.* You may only use books that have not already been made into movies. NOTE: Limit the amount of summary in your letter – I want analysis.

4. **Diorama:** Construct a 3 dimensional scene that includes models of people, buildings, plants, and animals *of one of the main events of the book*. Include a written description of the scene that explains:
 - the setting
 - characters present
 - when the scene took place in the book
 - what is happening in the scene
 - how the scene is important to the book.
5. **Travel Brochure:** Prepare a 3-fold travel brochure advertising the setting of your book using pictures that you have found or drawn. This *brochure should persuade people to visit the setting of your book*. Somewhere in your brochure you must include a detailed description of the setting of your book. Your brochure should have information on the front and back and there should not be any blank panels on your brochure.
6. **A New Ending!** Now you can choose what happens to the characters in your book by writing a new ending. Please include a short one paragraph summary of your book (including the real ending) at the beginning of your writing.
7. **Timeline:** Make an **illustrated** timeline showing the important events of the story from the beginning of the book to the end. Each event on the timeline should have a picture and a 1-2 sentence caption explaining what the event is. On the back of your timeline draw a map showing the locations where the events on your timeline took place. Remember, timelines are always in chronological order. (10-20 main events should be described on your timeline)
8. **Newspaper:** Create a newspaper for your book. Summarize the plot in one article; cover the weather in another, do a feature story on one of the more interesting characters in another. Include ads that would be pertinent to the story. Remember to format your newspaper so that it looks like a newspaper. *All information in the newspaper must be things that you have written. You cannot copy articles or other information word for word from any other source. If you copy information you will not get credit for the project.*
9. **Make a Collage:** Using magazine pictures create a collage on a poster board that describes your book. Your poster board should be FULLY covered in pictures, with no poster board showing. In your writing, describe what each picture represents and how it relates to your book.
10. **Poster:** Make a poster advertising your book so someone else will want to read it. Posters must be:
 - The size of a full size sheet of construction paper or poster board
 - Posters should not have blank space (use the whole sheet of paper)
 - Illustrated with a scene or scenes from the book
 - The title and author must be on the poster
 - In your writing describe why someone should read your book. Be creative!
11. **Comic Book:** Make your book into a comic. Your comic should tell the story of your book, so don't leave out any important events. Don't forget to design a cover for your comic book, and remember, comic books have captions (or thought bubbles, etc.) so the characters can talk.