

Book Report Form (6-8)

Note: This outline and report must be completed and turned in for full credit on this assignment.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

Book Title: _____

Author: _____

(Introduction)

I. Introduce title, author, and genre

(Body Paragraphs)

II. Setting

A. Describe the setting

1. _____(Where)
2. _____(When)
3. _____(Condition/Conflict)

B. Setting and Time Period (List three details about the setting and/or time period the story is set in.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

III. Main Characters (List characters and two details about each one.)

A. Protagonist: _____

1. _____

2. _____

B. Antagonist _____

1. _____

2. _____

IV. The Plot: A Timeline (List five major events from the story in the order that they happen.)

A. Exposition: _____

B. Rising Action: _____

C. Climax: _____

D. Falling Action: _____

E. Resolution: _____

(Summary)

V. Write a three to five-paragraph summary of the book.

VII. Criticism of the Book (one positive, one negative)

A. _____

B. _____

VIII. Recommendation (Would you recommend this book to another reader? Why or why not?)

A. _____

*Important Literary Terms

The **setting** is the surroundings and time in which the events of a story take place. The **setting** answers the following questions:

Where does the story take place?

When does the story take place?

What are the conditions like in this time and place?

A **character** is an individual in a story. The main character is often the **protagonist**, or the “good guy,” who works to solve the main conflict in the story. The **antagonist**, or the “bad guy,” is the character who comes into conflict with the protagonist and prevents the problem from being solved.

The **plot** is the sequence of events in a story. They include **exposition** (setting the scene), the **rising action** (a series of crises that lead to the climax), the **climax** (the most exciting moment of the story), the **falling action** (the events that follow the climax), and **resolution** (the conclusion, in which all of the tensions of the plot are resolved).

Common **Genres** of Novels: Science fiction, Drama, Action and Adventure, Romance, Mystery, Horror, Science, History, Historical Fiction, Diaries, Journals, Biographies, Autobiographies, Fantasy

Common **Themes** in Novel: friendship, importance of family, death as a part of the life cycle, sacrifices bringing reward, acceptance/tolerance, kindness, honesty, overcoming adversities, loss of innocence/coming of age, love, fate/destiny, revenge, bravery vs. cowardice, racism and prejudice, social change, freedom, social class structure, existence of good and/or evil