

BookTalk

Book Review Template

Stoller Middle School Enrichment

Creative Title, Reflecting Review of Book: _____

Genre: _____

By: (Your Name) _____, Grade _____

Paragraph 1: Introduction

- Introduce the book, author
- Identify the genre (action/adv, fantasy, sci fxn, historical fxn, mystery, autobiography/memoir, biography, non-fxn, realistic fxn)
- Setting: Time and place of story
- Main character(s): Names, qualities, his/her conflict(s)
- Central conflict or problem in the story (no spoilers!)

Paragraph 2: Brief Summary

- Summarize what happens up until the high point of the story. (BUT, don't give away the ending! This should be just enough to tease the reader into wanting to dive into this book.)

Paragraph 3: Opinion

- What is your opinion of the book? Why?
- You may consider critiquing pacing, author's style, character development, conflict, etc.
- Was it believable? What was your favorite part?
- What connections did you make to your own life or other books you have read?
- Include at least one example from the book to back up your opinion.

Paragraph 4: SHORT Recommendation

- Who would you recommend this book to? What kind of reader would enjoy this book? (just a few sentences here)
- End with a 5-Star Rating: 1 being the worst, 5 being the best; Half-stars can be used as well

Transitional Words:

Use transitional words and phrases to connect your ideas throughout your review:

first	second	as a result	then
also	between	third	later
because	next	finally	after that
another	for example	during	before
similar to	different from	likewise	in addition
in contrast	in opposition	overall	all in all