

Book Report Guidelines

Trading Card: Bringing History Alive!

Writing a book report can be interesting and rewarding! This report will give you a chance to read a new book and tell your teacher and friends about an important historical figure. You will need to select a biography or an autobiography of an African American or a woman in honor of African American History Month (February) and Women's History Month (March).

- Select a biography or an autobiography you have never read before. Make sure the book is appropriate.
- Have your book approved by your teacher by Friday, February 1st.
- Return the last stapled page in this packet indicating you and your parents have read the directions for the book report.
- Read the entire book.
- Follow the directions for the book report. Make sure you understand the requirements for the assignment and complete all of the steps (See the attached rubric). The report may be written or typed.
- Label each written section of the book report with the correct title as outlined in the directions. Remember to include a topic sentence for each paragraph that introduces your main idea.
- The book report is due by Thursday, February 28, 2019.
- You will be responsible for sharing your report in class. This will be a part of your speaking grade using the ASD Speaking Rubric. When preparing for your presentation, you should practice speaking in front of a friend or family member. Another helpful tip is to practice your presentation in front of a mirror! You may refer to your report during the presentation as needed, but you should know the information and be able to make eye contact with the audience rather than simply reading directly from your report.



Book Report Form

Due: February 28, 2019

Title of the Book: _____

Author: _____

Circle One: Autobiography or Biography

We have read and understand the directions of the book report. We know the due date and understand that the book must be pre-approved by the teacher.

Important Reminders:

1. Complete all of the components of the book report. Please follow the directions carefully. A scoring rubric is attached.
2. Write in complete sentences with correct spelling and punctuation.

***Enjoy your book and completing this project. Please do your best work and be proud of what you are able to create!**

Student's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____



Book Report Outline

Trading Card: Attached is a copy of the Trading Card. On the front, write the name of the person and the person's expertise. A picture of your person may be hand drawn or printed from the computer. If you choose to print a picture, you must provide your source or web address. Please do not photocopy the cover of your book or any illustrations from your book.

The book report may be handwritten or typed.

1. Introduction: In the first section of the report, introduce your person with a short summary of his/her greatest accomplishments. Include the most interesting facts. (Paragraph 1)

2. Compare and Contrast: Write a paragraph comparing your life and the person in your book using character traits. What are some similar traits you share with the person in your book? How are you different? Remember to include character trait words when writing the comparing and contrasting section of the report. Also, incorporate "compare and contrast" words to help you write a cohesive paragraph. (Paragraph 2)

3. A Lesson Learned: What have you learned from reading about the person's life? How can you apply what you have learned to your life? (Paragraph 3)

4. Interview: If you could meet the person in real life, what would you like to ask him or her? Write a list of four questions that would give your character the opportunity to discuss his/her thoughts and feelings about his/her role in history. Formulate and select your questions carefully.



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Book Report Scoring Rubric

DUE February 28, 2019

Name _____ Date _____

Item	Points	Points Earned
Trading Card Cover	1	
Introduction	2	
Compare and Contrast	2	
Lesson Learned	2	
Interview	1	
Report on Time	1	
Conventions: Complete sentences with correct spelling and grammar.	1	

Total Points Earned _____/10 Points