



Name _____ Period _____ Due Date _____

Here are some ideas to create a visual expression of the book you have read. All projects must have a short summary posted on the back. Summary minimums for all choices carry a **5-sentence minimum**.

(If you can think of any others, please approve them with me before you begin. Remember you will never be graded on your artistic talent, just your effort neatness, and representation of your novel.)

Book Jacket/Sleeve: Include the title, author, and an illustration of the book on the cover. On the inside flap, write a detailed (5 sentence minimum) summary of the book and why this book is an interesting read and why you chose to read it.

Diary Collage: Collect pictures (or draw them) and piece them together in a pictorial diary that represents what your character might have written, drawn, or seen. Include a brief summary about how each picture relates to the novel.

Board Game: If your book is adventuresome or filled with decisions, make a board game to represent the many different “pitfalls” your character encountered.

“Wanted” or “Missing” Poster: Include the following: a drawing or magazine cutout of your character, a physical description of the characters misdeed, who to contact of the person is seen, and the reward offered for the capture of the character. Include a summary on the back to tell about the book.

Puppets, Dolls, or Clay Figures from the story: Attach an index card to each with a summary about how the character was important in the story. (Minimum 3 Figures)

Diorama: In a shoebox (or similar container), recreate the setting of the book. Include a written description (5 sentence minimum) about what happened in the scene.

Mobile: Pick out symbols that are relevant to the story, character, or chapter and display them on a mobile. Include a separate summary (5 sentence minimum) to explain how they are important to the novel.

Design a Movie Poster: Your poster should entice someone into wanting to see the movie (or rather, read the book). Your poster must be neat, colorful include an important scene from the book, a rating, tell who stars in it, who produces and directs it, critics comments, and a few sentences explaining the plot. Include your summary (5 sentence minimum) on the back of the poster.

Create a character illustration, silhouette, or caricature, and a written description for each character of the book you have read. The description should be at least one paragraph (5 sentences) long. It must be hand drawn and in color.

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Book Title _____ Project Type _____

Grading Rubric for Independent Reading Project

	Criteria	Possible Points	Points Achieved
1.	Followed all instructions for the chosen project	15	
2.	Demonstrated creativity and originality	5	
3.	Overall neatness (Was it done carefully?)	10	
4.	Demonstrates student's awareness and understanding of the subject matter. (Is deep understanding visible from viewing the project and summary?)	10	
5.	Demonstrates thorough understanding (Can an understanding of the book be reached from looking at the project?)	10	
	TOTAL POINTS	50	