

Fiction Book Report Directions

Book Report Format: Please provide the following information in a number of paragraphs. The suggestions in italics will help you dig deeper into the literature. Use them as guidelines to direct your writing. **You will need to have a title page with the title of the book, the author, your name, class period and the date.**

- The book report should be written in paragraph format. In one paragraph, you will need to describe the setting in detail. *If you can, explain how the setting impacts the events of the story, or changes the mood of the story. If possible, use quotes from the text to support your writing.*
- Another paragraph should describe the main characters. Who is the main character? Does he or she change and grow within the story? If so, explain. Can you describe some characteristics and traits of this person? What motivates your character to act in the way he or she acts? Are they in conflict with another character? If so, who? *If you can, include 2 or more quotes from the story which back up your description.*
- One paragraph should also summarize the plot of the story. This will most likely be your longest paragraph. You do not need to go into great detail describing every event; just include those events which are important or noteworthy. However, you do need to identify the main problem or conflict which drives the plot, as well as the solution. *If you can, identify the turning point or climax of the story.*
- In every book there is a moral to the story, or a lesson that the author wants you to learn. What is the lesson in this book? Think about this. Sometimes it is very subtle. Write a short paragraph explaining the moral, or theme, of your book.
- Your final paragraph should be your opinion of the book. Did you enjoy it or not? Why? Be sure to be specific in your reasons for liking (or disliking) the book.