

Final Book Blog: Oral Presentation!

For your final book blog, you will give an oral presentation to the class. Here are the guidelines you will need to follow to create your oral presentation.

- Pick from one of the following genres: mystery, science fiction, realistic fiction, fantasy, biography
- This information needs to be in your oral presentation. This information will be written on index cards for use during your oral presentation. (Let Mrs. Bryant know if you need index cards.)
 - State the title of the book and author
 - State the genre
 - Give a brief summary of the beginning and middle*
 - Do **not** give away the ending*
 - Explain who would enjoy reading the book
 - Give it your rating from 1-10
- (* **Biographies need to be complete sequence of events summaries. For this genre only.**)
- Select a passage from the book that is exciting and will interest your audience.
 - You will need to introduce your passage (why you chose it and why it is important to the story)
 - Passage should be 2-3 minutes in length
 - Passage will be read aloud, so practice several times reading it out loud with expression, proper pauses, and fluency (reading so it sounds like you are talking normally)
- Draw or create an illustration for the passage you read.
 - Illustration can be hand drawn or you can create a collage from magazine photos, photos from the web, etc. (Mrs. Bryant will give you large white paper when you are ready.)
 - Illustrations must be neat and colored
 - You will need to explain how your illustration relates to your passage to your audience
- What you will turn in to Mrs. Bryant:
 - Complete written blog report in the normal style – **no online blog this time!**
 - Your note cards for your oral presentation
 - Your illustration

Things to remember when giving an oral presentation:

- Make eye contact with your audience.
- Speak loud enough so people at the back of the room can hear you.
- Do not fidget with your note cards.
- Do not read straight from the note cards; these are to help you remember ideas only.
- Hold your book below your face so your voice will project out to your audience.
- Hold up your illustration high so all of your audience can see it.
- Practice reading your oral presentation as well as your selected passage for several days before your presentation.
- Do not worry about time. This is not a timed presentation. I want you to be relaxed and do your best! This is no different than when you answer questions out loud in class. Everyone loves to find new books to read and you are helping everyone do this! Feel awesome and proud to be able to share a great new book!