

# Independent Novel Project

**For this project**, you will read a book of your choice. You will then have activities to do for the book. Below are ideas for activities along with how points will be earned for the project. Have fun and do your best!

**Book Jacket:** Make a new book cover for the book. Make it colorful and neat! Include a 3-paragraph summary of the book on the back. (100 points)

**Book Review:** Write a book review for the book. Explain what you like or didn't like about the book. Would you recommend the book to a classmate? (100 points)

**Test: Create** a 15-question test. It may be multiple choice, short answer, matching, fill-in-the-blank, or any combination of these. (50 points)

**Vocabulary:** Make a list of at least 10 difficult words from your book. Write the definition and use each word in a sentence. (50 points)

**Character Sketch:** Draw a picture or find one in a magazine or on the internet that represents one of the main characters from your book. Then write a description of that character's personality traits. (50 points)

**Creative Project:** See list below. (100 points)

# Ideas For Creative Project

- Create a "storyboard" about your favorite part of the book. Illustrate and write a detailed description of the events, setting, and characters and how your favorite part related to the rest of the story.
- Make a newspaper with articles about the book. Describe the characters, setting, and plot.
- Rewrite a chapter (or the ending) of the book with your own twist. Include a written summary of the original chapter in your own words. Compare and contrast the similarities and differences of your chapter with the original.
- Make an illustrated time line of the book. Label your illustrations. Give a written summary of the events and characters as shown in your timeline.
- Complete a scrap book about the author and about other books he or she has written. Compare two or more books with details from each. Use a Venn diagram or another project to present the books.
- Compare yourself to a character in a book and describe what makes you alike or different. Put yourself in the character's place in the book and describe how you would have done things differently. Be sure to tell how the book character acted in the story.
- Make a collage of scenes from the book using magazines, newspapers, or illustrations. Describe your collage in writing.
- Write an imaginary letter between two characters from the book. Each letter should include details of events from the story.
- Write and illustrate an imaginary diary that might have been written by a book character.
- Write a television or radio script for the book. Produce the script on audio or video. Use costumes, props, music, other actors, or other creative things.
- Make a wind sock with three or more scenes from the book and descriptions of the scenes or the characters.
- Make a diorama about the book with a detailed written description.
- Construct a mobile of the book's characters and a written description of each.
- Create bookmarks of illustrated story scenes or characters and describe them on the back.
- Write a play or skit to present a scene from the book. Use costumes, props, etc.
- Build a life-sized model of something that relates to the theme of the book. Include a written description of the model and show how it fits into the story.
- Produce a video of a scene, a newscast, or other from the book. Include a written scripts with the video.
- Make puppet characters and give a puppet show of a scene in the book. Set it up with an introduction and brief summary of the story.
- Make up a game (or use a current game) to present the story.
- Come up with your own creative project to tell about the book. Make sure you check with your teacher first.