

Literature Circle Project Sheet

Wanted Poster – You will choose a character from the book and create a poster using plain or construction paper. The poster should contain a drawing of the character, his alias (other name) and description (height, weight, eye and hair color, etc.), what the character acts like, and a warning to tell people who to notify if they see him. Use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation in your written sections. Color the picture of your character. Remember, neatness counts!

Postcard – You will use a 5 x 7 inch index card to create a postcard. On one side you will draw a scene from the story and color it. On the other side, you will divide the space in half with a vertical line. On the left side of this space you will write a message to the person to whom the postcard is being sent. (Pick one of the characters in the story and have him/her be the sender.) Use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation. On the right side of the space, address the postcard correctly (Name, street address, city, state and zip code). You may make up the address. The postcard should be neatly done and colored. Don't forget a place for the stamp!

Bookmark – You will use oaktag or cardboard for this project. Cut a strip or a shape and draw an illustration on the front. Be sure to color it. Also put the Title of the book on the front. Use creative lettering. On the back, write a paragraph telling the reader why he/she should read this book. Tell a little about the book, but not the ending. Use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation.

Illustration of Your Favorite Part – On a sheet of paper draw your favorite scene from the story. It should be a scene that you imagined in your head as you read, and not one that the illustrator did. Use lots of details and color your picture. On the back of the sheet, write a paragraph describing what is happening in the scene. Use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation.

Riddle Book – Fold a piece of duplicating paper into a Poof Book, Pop Up Book, or any other kind that you know how to make. On each page, you will write a riddle about something in the book, and draw and color an illustration. On the next page, you will write the answer to the first riddle and pose a second riddle. You will need to write at least 4 riddles and 4 answers. Be sure your questions are in the form of a question and that your answers are in complete sentences with proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation.

Tableau – Take a large (12 x 18 inch) sheet of drawing paper and fold it in half and half again to create 8 sections. Unfold and draw heavy black lines on all the fold lines. In each of the 8 sections you will draw a scene from the story, so that you are retelling the story from start to finish in boxes 1 – 8. Make sure that your drawing completely fills the square, then color it. On the back side of this sheet you will number from 1 to 8 and after each number you will write a sentence to describe the scene in that box. Be sure to use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation.

Character Description – On a sheet of paper you will sketch a character of your choice. Put him/her in the center of the sheet. At the bottom of the paper, put the title of the book and the author. In the top left corner of the paper, write a sentence or two that describes what the character looks like. In the top right corner of the paper, write a sentence to tell how the character acts. In the bottom left corner, write a sentence to tell what others say about the character. In the bottom right corner, write a sentence that tells how you would feel if the character were your friend. Be sure that you use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation. Color your character.

Board Game – Think about board games that you have played, like *Candyland* or *Monopoly*. Using a large sheet of paper or a piece of cardboard, you will design a game using elements from your novel or story. The game should be for two or three players. Create a pathway with obstacles, bonuses, traps, etc. and color the background. Make markers to move along the game board, and get a spinner or die to tell how many spaces the players are to move on their turn. Be creative! Don't forget to write directions so that the players will know what to do. The directions should be in complete sentences.

ABC Book – Use 3 x 5 inch index cards to create this book. You can brainstorm words from the story that begin with the letters of the alphabet. When you begin to write, you will phrase each sentence as follows, "A is for _____, because (tell how it relates to the story)." Include a colored illustration for each page. You may put more than one letter or illustration on each page.

Letter to a Character – You will use your notebook paper and proper letter form to compose a friendly letter to one of the characters from your story. Be sure to include the date, the greeting, the body, the salutation, and your signature. The letter should contain two paragraphs. In the first paragraph, tell the character some of the things you like about him/her. In the second paragraph, give the character some advice about his/her behavior in the story. Use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation.

Poem – Write a poem using any poetic form with which you are familiar (haiku, cinquain, acrostic, etc.). Make sure that the poem is about a character or an event from the story. Use proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation.

Book Review – Pretend you are a book critic for a famous newspaper and write your opinion of the story. Use your notebook paper for this assignment. You will write two paragraphs in this Review. In the first paragraph, you will briefly summarize the book, telling only the important parts. In the second paragraph, you will tell what you thought of the book, pointing out certain details that support your opinion. Always put a "because" in the sentence when you give your opinion. Use complete sentences, proper grammar, and correct capitalization and punctuation.