

Book Talk Assignment with **Novel Name** _____

Title _____ *Author* _____

Your book talk assignment involves delivering a book talk to the class about the novel you have read for independent reading. The object of a book talk is to convince the listener to read the book you are recommending. A book talk is very similar to a trailer for a film, which shows you just enough information to convince you that you should watch the movie. Your talk must last ***between two and three minutes***.

Introduction:

- Find an interesting, exciting, or mysterious quotation to start off your presentation. This quotation will get the reader's attention. Don't just pick any old quotation—choose carefully and deliberately to try to capture the attention of the audience.
- Also explain why you chose the quote.
- Clearly introduce your book by giving the name, the author, and the ***genre*** of the book (historical fiction, science fiction, fantasy, realistic fiction, mystery, action/adventure).

Middle:

- The middle of the presentation will cover the setting (when and where the story takes place, and the main characters.
- What kind of action or conflict is involved in the book, and what is the book about in general? Don't give a drawn-out summary of the book.
- You should mention the ***theme*** of the novel.

Conclusion:

- Without giving away the ending, convince the reader that you loved this book and that this is the book they want to read next.
- Make some predictions which student in the class would enjoy the book.

To prepare your presentation, you must either write out *a complete rough draft* of your book talk **or** you must use *flash cards (3" x 5")* to record the main points and details of your talk.

_____ required items

Grade _____