

### **Father Andrew White School 2019 Summer Reading Instructions**

May 17, 2019

Dear FAW Students and Families of Rising Grades 6-8,

Welcome to summer. Again this year, our students have required summer reading assignments. This work is important to support and encourage middle school students' active summer reading. The purpose for promoting summer reading is to reinforce students' continued development and growth of their overall comprehension, vocabulary knowledge, reading fluency, and background knowledge.

All middle school students are required to read **TWO** books (one fiction and one nonfiction) and to complete a Google Slide presentation, that will be shared with the class when they return to school in September. Students will choose their own books, which must be within their AR reading range, and that they have not previously read.

#### **Assignments for Fiction and Nonfiction reading are:**

Students will complete a Google Slide presentation with information from their chosen books. Students should be prepared to share their slide presentation with their class when they return to school in August/September. This will be a graded assignment, and the attached rubric should be used to ensure the best grade on this assignment. The slides are labeled as follows (first 9 slides are for the fiction book):

- 1. Title of fiction book, author, name of student preparing the presentation
- 2. Setting of the story where/when did the story take place
- 3. Brief summary of the book at least 3 sentences
- 4. Characters list ALL characters with at least a 1 sentence description of each
- 5. Your favorite character Write a good paragraph to describe (at least 6 sentences)
- 6. Main events describe at least 3 (and at least 3 sentences about each one)
- 7. Main conflict and resolution
- 8. Story symbols and message (at least 3 sentences)
- 9. Vocabulary at least 10 words that you didn't know (with their definitions) EXTRA CREDIT for more than 10
- 10. Your non-fiction book title, author and a well written paragraph to describe (at least 6 sentences)

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Pietsch at fawslibrary@fatherandrewwhite.org, at any time.

Thank you and have a great summer,

Mrs. Pietsch

## **FAW Middle School Rubric for Summer Reading**

## Mrs. Pietsch

# Rubric: Book Report using Google slides

Category					
	Excellent 4 pts	Good 3 pts	Fair 2 pts	Poor 1 pts	
Title/Author	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	Title slide is neat, with catchy design, error free and contains title, author, and students' name.	Title slide is present but lacks complete information or has no special formatting design.	Title slide is present but lacks much of the required information.	No title page is present.	
Summary	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	Brief summary of the book includes at least 3 well written sentences.	Summary is present but less than 3 sentences or sentences have grammar errors.	Summary is present but less than 3 sentences and many grammar errors.	No summary present.	
Setting	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	Setting contains all information to help someone create a visual image. Pictures related to the setting may be included.	Setting is described adequately and contains most of the information. Pictures related to the setting may be included.	Setting is incomplete or inaccurate.	Setting contains little or no information.	
Characters	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	Main characters are completely described including comparison, contrasts, and complete character sketches or character map.	Characters are adequately described and character sketches of main characters include a few comparisons.	Character descriptions are incomplete or inadequate.	Little or no informatio about the main characters is included	
Conflict/Solution	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	The conflict and how it is resolved is clearly identified and explained.	The conflict and how it is resolved are mentioned, but one is not clearly explained.	The conflict is somewhat explained, but how it is resolved is not.	The conflict and resolution are not explained.	
Vocabulary	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	At least 10 new vocabulary words listed and defined.	At least 5 new vocabulary words listed and defined.	At least 2 new vocabulary words listed and defined.	No vocabluary words listed or no vocabular slide.	
Grammar, mechanics, and neatness	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	The slides have few no errors in grammar, punctuation, or spelling.	The slides have a few minor errors in grammar, punctuation, or spelling.	The slides have several errors in grammar, punctuation, or spelling.	The slides have many errors in grammar, punctuation, and/or spelling.	

Text/Fonts/Format	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	Font formats (e.g., color, bold, italic) have been carefully planned to enhance readability and content. Slides are interesting for viewers.	Font formats have been carefully planned to enhance readability.	Font formatting has been carefully planned to compliment the content. Slides may be a little hard to read.	Font formatting makes it very difficult to read the material.	
Story Symbols/Message	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	Clearly showed and explained at least 3 different story symbols or messages from the story.	Clearly showed and explained at least 2 different story symbols or messages from the story.	Clearly showed and explained at least 1 story symbol or message from the story.	No story symbol or message from the story is discussed.	
Total Points	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	
	33-36 pts = A	29-32 pts = B	26-28 pts = C	22-25 pts = D	

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