BUSINESS LETTER BOOK REPORT



Directions:

- 1. Write the author of your book a **full-block** business letter. See Grammar book for an example of a business letter.
- 2. Be sure to write your author in care of the publisher of the book. Most publishers include United States Postal Service addresses within the first few pages of their books.
- 3. In your letter be sure to mention the title of your book, characters with which you identify conflicts and resolutions, favorite parts, and your opinion.
- 4. Complete an envelope (stamped if your author is living) to be mailed. Do not seal or stamp the envelope until your letter and envelope have received teacher's final approval.
- 5. Letters that do not follow this format will not be graded.

Checklist:

- 1. Know the following parts of a business letter and how they are correctly formatted: Heading, Inside Address, Salutation, Body, and Closing.
- 2. Spacing is extremely important in business letters. Please follow notes regarding spacing rules for business letters.
- 3. Clearly state the purpose of your letter. Remember: You are writing to convey your thoughts about the book you have just finished reading.
- 4. A typed business letter *never* exceeds one page.
- 5. Proofread your letter. Have a trusted friend or family member proofread your letter. Then, proofread your letter again. Correct any mistakes before submitting.
- 6. Re-read your letter to make sure that it makes sense. Read it aloud!
- 7. Never put your signature on an inferior piece of work. Take pride in your efforts!
- 8. Proofread your envelope information. The United States Postal Service will not deliver pieces of mail with missing and/or invalid information.
- 9. Refer to the **Business Letter Guide** on my web page.

NOTE: We will be typing our letters and envelopes in the computer lab. You are required to bring the following items in order to participate:

- The rough draft of your letter (skip lines on notebook paper)
- The rough draft of your envelope (completed on notebook paper)
- ➤ Two envelopes (Number 10 suitable for business letters)
- ➤ One first-class United States Postage stamp (not attached to the envelope)