

Independent Reading Project 2015

English Workshop I and English 9 College Prep

Competencies: Reading/Speaking

Name: _____ Date: _____

Independent Reading Projects/Presentations

You will do a presentation on your book to the class. The option you choose will become what you center your presentation around as you explain the choices you included.

Option 1: Movie Poster

Paramount Pictures has just bought the rights to your book. You have been assigned to design the rough draft of the movie poster. It is your job to decide the following for the poster going out to the movie theaters.

1. Which characters are going to appear on your poster (and which real-life actors/performers you will choose to portray them). This will appear at the bottom of the poster. Starring..... as the protagonist, antagonist, etc. Try to have at least 3.

Consider how you are going to position the characters you've selected to represent on the poster (head shot, medium shot, long shot; the foreground versus background).

2. Any other objects that will be on the poster (these would be symbols from the book). You need 3.
3. Write a hook sentence to help entice the audience.
4. Include two quotes from the book.

Your poster does not have to be a work of art. It is after all the rough draft. So characters' faces can be represented by roughly sketched ovals and items can be crudely drawn.

Option 2: Mind Map or Body Diagram

You are providing the pitch for your book to become a major motion picture. Through the use of a Mind Map or Body Diagram you will provide vital information about your book to the producers who you are hoping will fund the movie.

1. The Mind Map consists of sketching the protagonist's head, the Body Diagram requires sketching out the entire body (you would want to use Butcher's Paper and have someone lie down on the paper so you can outline them).
2. You need to place 5 symbols from your story inside the head or body of your character.
3. You need to include 3 quotes from the novel you feel are significant.
4. Write a hook sentence to help sell your idea.

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Option 3: The Charm Bracelet

You have been asked to design a one-of-a-kind charm bracelet for one of the characters from your novel. This bracelet will be part of a promotional stunt to attract readers to the book. Your bracelet can be drawn on poster board or created from some other material of your choosing.

1. Decide on 5 symbols to represent the character you have selected. Draw or create these symbols as you would like them to appear on the bracelet.
2. For each charm, you must provide a reason why that would be an appropriate choice to include on the bracelet.
3. Provide two significant quotes from the novel.
4. Create a hook sentence to pitch the bracelet.