

Name _____ Date _____ Novel _____



Newspaper Book Report Rubric

Student rating—check for each element in . Teacher rating—check for each element in .

	4 Commendable	3 Competent	2 Developing	1 Beginning
Summary	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete plot summary including major events. <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Easy to read & understand the flow of the story	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory plot summary including most major events. <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Fairly easy to follow.	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete or inaccurate plot summary <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Plot is somewhat difficult to understand	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Weak plot summary <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Plot is difficult to understand
Main Character Profile	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete, detailed character description—really know who this person is	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory character description—know the character fairly well	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete character description—only know a bit about the character	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Weak character description—know very little about the character
"Wanted" Article	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete, detailed character description—really know who this person is <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Creatively incorporates "wanted" information (dangers/threats/rewards...)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory character description—know the character fairly well <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Incorporates important "wanted" information (dangers/threats/rewards...)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete character description—only know a bit about the character <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> "Wanted" information is incomplete or inaccurate	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Weak character description—know very little about the character <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> "Wanted" information is missing
Features (Advice Column, Editorial, Book Review, Comics)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> All features are completed creatively and with insight into the elements/details from the book	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> All features accurately reflect elements and details from the book	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Features somewhat reflect elements and details from the book	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Features poorly reflect elements and details from the book or are missing
Fillers (Ad, Puzzle, Obituary, Sports, Travel...)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> All fillers are completed creatively and with insight into the elements/details from the book	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> All fillers accurately reflect elements and details from the book	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Fillers somewhat reflect elements and details from the book	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Fillers poorly reflect elements and details from the book or are missing
Quality of Writing	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Paragraphs are well constructed and easy to read <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Words bring ideas to life	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Paragraph format is attempted with some success <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Words are specific and accurate	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Paragraph format not followed or is weak <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Many words are ordinary	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> There is little evidence of paragraph format <input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Words are confusing or repeated
Conventions	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalization, punctuation, and grade-level spelling are mostly correct and enhance meaning	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Minor errors in capitalization, punctuation, and grade-level spelling do not detract from meaning	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Errors in capitalization, punctuation, and grade-level spelling cause some confusion	<input type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Significant errors in conventions make the writing hard to read and understand

Comments