

Cyan Term 4 Book Review -- You be the Judge!

Goal: To be able to review a book, using evidence from the book and our reading strategies of connection and summarising; also, to be able to write engaging, meaningful prose. The review will guide other students on whether they would like to read the book or not.

	Writing Criteria	Checklist	Apprentice	Mastered
Understand The Book (Wednesday)	Create a Story Graph on the book you read.			
	Research the author and other books they have written			
	Learn a little more about the book by reading other reviews. But make sure to have your own opinions.			
Introduce Book (Thursday)	Hook: something that makes us want to read your book review, e.g. quotes, facts, questions, mini-story start, onomatopoeia (this could be borrowed from the book).			
	Title, author, published year and details of the book - has the author written other books			
	Type of book: fiction, non-fiction, picture book, chapter book, magazine			
Summarise the book (Friday)	Nonfiction books: give an overview with favourite parts and information			
	Fiction books: review the storyline for readers, telling us about main characters, settings, no spoilers!			
	Connecting Text: are there related stories, movies, news or games to this			

	book?			
Reactions to the book (Monday)	Describe the book: Is it interesting, memorable, entertaining, persuasive or instructive? Why?			
	Explore issues the book raises: What possibilities or issues does the book suggest? Explain.			
	Relate the book to larger issues: How did the book affect you? How have your opinions about the topic changed?			
Expression Editing (Tuesday)	Use descriptive, rich language--stretch out the noun groups, choose more interesting verb groups and use a thesaurus! Don't use "good, said, went" "good" -- fine, of high quality, of a high standard, quality, superior; satisfactory, competent, excellent, superb, outstanding, magnificent, of the highest quality, of the highest standard, exceptional, marvellous, wonderful, first-rate.			
Publishing (Wednesday & Thursday)	Now make sure to publish on a google doc and share with the teacher for your class and world audience on the blog to read. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - format it for easy to read (14 size) - title - Paragraph has space in between - Include a picture of the book (extras optional) - And your first name as author and reviewer 			

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