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## Fiction Book Report 1st Quarter

For this book report, you will create a book jacket that tells about the fiction book you have just read. Follow the directions below to complete the jacket. Take pride in your work. Use your best penmanship, add color and pictures, edit for spelling and grammar errors, and pay particular attention to your word choice. Neatness counts!

**Requirements:** You will need a two foot long piece of poster paper (see me for this). We will fold the project in class, but you will then take it home to complete the project.

**Front Cover (Panel 4):** This is the front cover. In this section you need the title, author's name, your name, the date, and an interesting picture.

**Summary (Panels 5 & 6):** This is the front flap. Write a two or three paragraph summary of the book that highlights the beginning, middle and end of the book. Remember, the summary states the facts, not what you thought of the book.

**Characters (Panel 7):** This is the inside front. Draw a picture of each main character (there may only be one, or there may be more). Then write a few sentences about that character, (what type of character are they, what do they look like, etc.).

**Problem and Solution (Panel 9):** This is the inside back. Use this panel to identify the problem and solution the character faced in the story. Write a paragraph for each the problem and the solution. Make sure you label what is the problem and what is the solution.

**Setting (Panel 10):** This is the inside back flap. Draw a picture of the main setting of this story. Then, write a few sentences about where this story takes place.

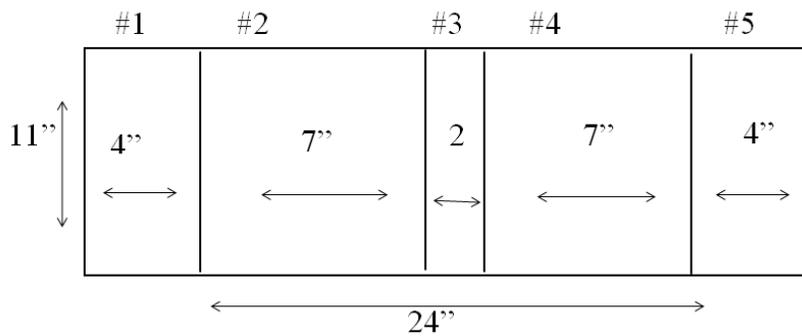
**Opinion (Panel 1):** This is the back flap. On this flap, write a short paragraph about your thoughts on this story. If you liked the story, tell why (give specific details from the story as to why you liked it). If you didn't like the story, tell why (give specific details from the story as to why you didn't like the story).

**Back Cover (Panel 2):** This is the back cover. Write a response to the book. Would you recommend it to your peers? What type of student would enjoy this book? (For example, if it was an adventure book, a person who loves a page-turner or a book with lots of adventure would love the book.) Give the book a 1-5 star rating (1 being not so good, 5 being fantastic!). You can use star stickers or draw stars. You can even make pretend reviews of the books (just like you might see on the back of a real book cover—for example, The Arizona Daily Star says, "This is a must read book!").

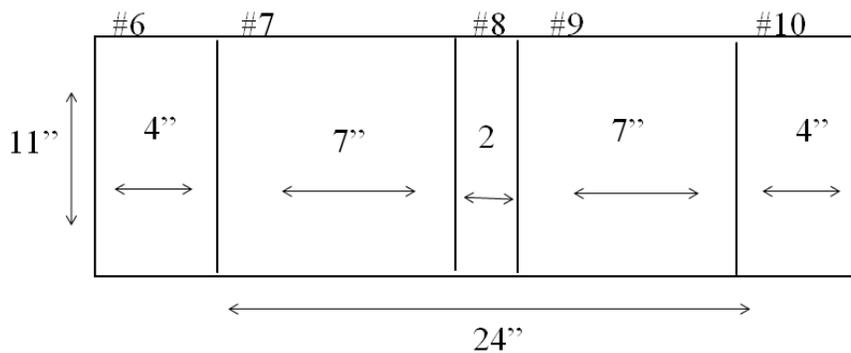
**Spine (Panel 3):** This is the outer spine of the book cover. Use creative lettering for the title with the author's name at the bottom.

\*Check out the diagram on the next page for all the Panel numbers. We have numbered these in class.

The outside of the book jacket.



The inside of the book jacket.



Below is the timeline for the book jacket project.

**September 12th:** Project is handed out

**By September 16th:** Choose a book and show it to me for approval

**By September 19th:** Begin reading book

**By September 26th:** Begin working on book jacket project (this will give you enough time to work on and complete your project)

**October 3rd:** Book should be read and book jacket project is due

**DO NOT LEAVE THIS PROJECT TO THE NIGHT BEFORE IT IS DUE. You are graded on effort given. Take your time and do your best!**

\*The next page has some book ideas. Pick a book that is at your level (not too easy and not too hard). Go for a book that you have never read before. Please be sure to get your book approved by me before you start reading.

## Suggested Fiction Book List

Any Magic Tree House books, by Mary Pope Osborne

Super Fudge, Fudge-a-Mania or any book by Judy Blume

Ramona Quimby, Age 8, Ramona the Pest, or any book by Beverly Cleary

Misty of Chincoteague by Marguerite Henry (this is a series, any book is fine)

Mercy Watson to the Rescue by Kate DiCamillo

Mary Poppins by P.L. Travers

The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster

Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder (any book from the series)

Stuart Little, Trumpet of the Swans or any book by E.B.White

“The Julian Series” by Ann Cameron

“The Amber Brown Series” by Paula Danziger

Akimbo and the Elephant, Akimbo and the Lion, Akimbo and the Crocodile Man  
by Alexander McCall Smith

\*This is just a short list of suggestions. The library is full of wonderful books!





# 1st Quarter: Fiction Book Jacket Grading Rubric



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Front Cover (Panel 4):

Book Title	_____ /2
Author's Name	_____ /2
Your Name	_____ /2
Date	_____ /1
Interesting Picture	_____ /3
Evidence of Effort	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /15</b>

Summary (Panels 5&6):

2-3 paragraphs which cover the beginning, middle, and end facts only)	_____ /10
Correct spelling and punctuation	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /15</b>

Characters (Panel 7):

Sentences written for each main character with correct punctuation	_____ /5
Drawing of each character	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /10</b>

Problem/Solution (Panel 9):

Problem identified, written in complete sentences	_____ /5
Solution identified, written in complete sentences	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /10</b>

Setting (Panel 10):

Setting identified, written in complete sentences	_____ /5
Drawing of the setting done Neatly	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /10</b>

Opinion (Panel 1):

Short paragraph with your thoughts on the book	_____ /10
Correct spelling and punctuation	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /15</b>

Back Cover (Panel 2):

Response to the book in complete sentences	_____ /5
Correct spelling/punctuation	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /10</b>

Spine (Panel 3):

Title and author written Neatly	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /5</b>

Overall

Book report appears to be done with effort	_____ /5
Report turned in on time	_____ /5
<b>Total</b>	<b>_____ /10</b>

**TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_ /100 points**