

RHS Ninth Grade Summer Packet

For the upcoming school year, you are to closely read and annotate a book from the Ninth Grade Summer Packet Reading List and prepare a Book Talk presentation and a paper for the class. **Book Talks PowerPoint Presentation will begin on Monday, September 14, 2020 and will be 3-4 minutes in length.**

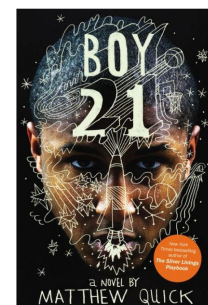
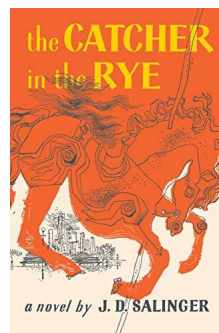
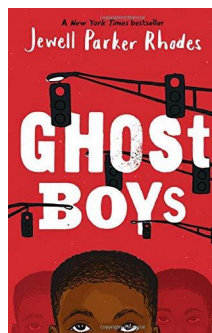
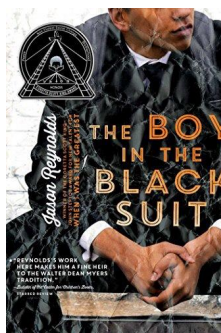
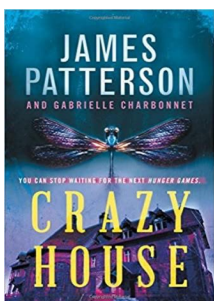
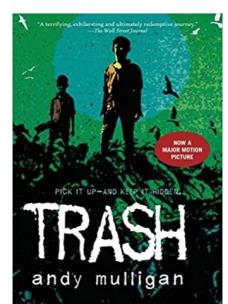
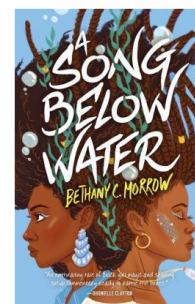
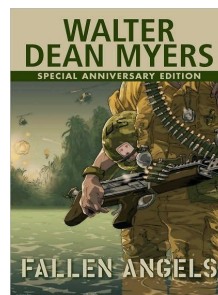
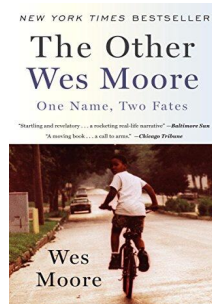
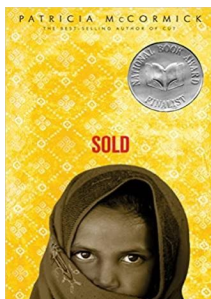
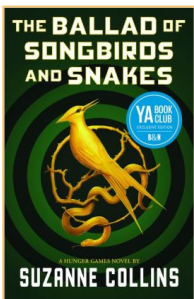
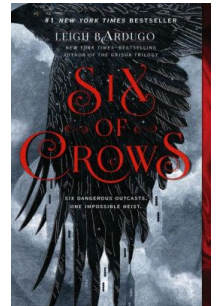
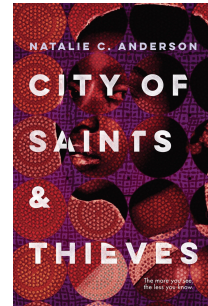
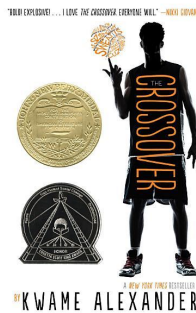
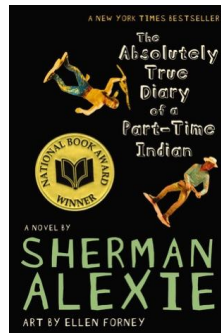
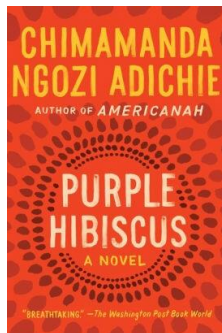
REQUIREMENTS:

- The Book
- PowerPoint Video Podcast
- MLA formatted Paper



Booktalk *noim* (buk)(tawk)
1. A conversation about a book that one has read, infused with joy and emotion. Best if done daily.

BOOK LIST: Choose **one** novel to prepare a book talk. Click on a book to learn more.



PROCEDURE: Your book talk PowerPoint presentation should include the following:

- 1) The title, author, publication date of your book. You should have the actual book with you to show to the class.
- 2) Briefly summarize the book (don't spend too long on this) by telling who the main characters are, what the central conflict/idea is, what the important events in the book are, and what you believe the author wants readers to take from the experience of reading the book. **It's best not to reveal too much or tell the ending**, especially if you are ultimately recommending the book as a good read.
- 3) Introduce and then read a passage from the book. This passage should be from a significant moment in the story that describes a main character in some way, illuminates the book's theme or central idea, represents an important point in the plot, strikingly reflects the author's style, or foreshadows something exciting. In other words, choose a passage that excites the imagination!
- 4) Finally, tell the audience if you would recommend the book or not, and explain your three main reasons why or why not.
- 5) This book talk PowerPoint presentation should be 8-10 sentences. Make sure that you are detailed and specific.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION OUTLINE: Use the layout below for your book talk/PowerPoint podcast. All PowerPoints must include a video podcast and be saved as an MP4 or WMV. Click on the link to learn how to create a video using PowerPoint: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8JV3w4TOVw>.

Title of Book by Author Picture Your Name Class/Hr Date	Video Podcast (embed book talk video here)	Bibliography w/picture (MLA format for a book)
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Here are two examples of a book talk:

- ❖ **Reading Rainbow: Jumanji** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQG6AR5diPw>
- ❖ **Rainbow Rowell: Fangirl** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FA1JsSytUQE>

PAPER GUIDELINES

- Use the MLA format
- Use Times New Roman, Arial, or Calibri fonts at 12 points
- One-inch margins
- Double space
- See sample on next page (Please note that the line-spacing was adjusted, so that the text can fit on one page).

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Mr. Ratburn

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September 14, 2020

Book Talk

Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom

Tuesdays with Morrie is about a man stricken with Lou Gherig's disease. When he finds out that he has this fatal disease he decides that he will make the rest of the little time alive memorable. When Morrie is seen on national television with Ted Koppel, he receives many heart-warming letters, calls and visits. The most significant visit to Morrie was one of his former students. This student was very close with Morrie while he was in college. The student's name was Mitch. He was a student who graduated high school early and went on to college where he enrolled in Morrie's class. Mitch being younger than most kids on campus wanted to be noticed but really the only person who noticed this young man is his new professor, Morrie. Morrie accepted Mitch as a friend and a teacher and over the four years that Mitch was at the university they formed a special bond with each other. When Mitch finds out that Morrie is very ill, he visits Morrie in his Massachusetts suburban home. From that visit on Mitch visits his teacher every Tuesday. That's when they worked together and spent their time together when Mitch was a student at Brandeis University. Now that Morrie is very ill they spend every Tuesday conversing for hours about anything. These discussions open up both of them but mostly Mitch. These discussions change Mitch a great deal and strengthen Morrie. (Kim P., 9th grade student, Middleton High School)

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Found Voices: Carl Sagan

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Carl Sagan was perhaps one of the most influential scientific minds that the world has ever experienced. When he learned that stars were actually extremely distant suns, his world was changed and the magnitude of the universe opened up to him. Another strong motivator into science came with his reading of a popular science fiction book of the time, *The Burroughs Tales*. The stories were not extremely sound scientifically, but still presented ideals of adventure and the unknown. The idea that life could exist elsewhere in the universe fascinated Sagan and remained with him for the rest of his life (Eicher).

Italicize names of books, plays, poems, television shows, newspapers, magazines, websites, databases, art, ships, and space craft.

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Perhaps one of Sagan's most famous individual accomplishments was his involvement with the *Pioneer 10 Space Probe*. The probe was created to be the first object to exit our galaxy. Sagan acknowledged that the chances of anything actually discovering the probe were astronomical, but believed that it was important to promote public appreciation for science and thought the project to be "all in good fun" (McDonough 50).

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Public appreciation for science was, in fact, what made Sagan the "superstar scientist" that we hear of today. His ability to portray complex

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Print this rubric and bring it to school on the first day of school.

Name: _____ Class/Hr: _____ Date: _____

Book Talk Grading Rubric

- /10 points — Introduction includes author, title, and publication date.
- /10 points — Actual book presented for visual.
- /10 points — Book summary is not too long, but provides enough details to develop an understanding of the book's main characters/ideas; summary suggests speaker has full knowledge of the book being discussed.
- /10 points — Recommendation for or against book is supported by at least 3 well-reasoned points.
- /10 points — A passage is read with sufficient energy and explanation.
- /30 points — All behaviors of good public speaking are demonstrated, including sufficient voice volume and modulation, few "umms" and "likes," use of note cards for outline only (no reading from note cards), eye contact with audience is maintained, speech is 3-4 minutes in length.
- /20 points — Participation as an audience member is respectful, engaged, and appropriate.
- /20 points - PowerPoint presentation

/120 TOTAL SCORE