

## Independent Novel Projects

Your project points will determine your book report grade. You need to complete the 100 point book report and 50 points worth of projects from the list below. If you achieve 150 points, your grade will be 100%. Keep in mind that the work you hand in must be satisfactory in order to achieve any project points. You may not achieve the full point value of a project just for handing it in. You are graded on the quality of your work. Finally, all work must be handed in at the same time. I will not take projects 5 points at a time.

### Project point choices:

1. List all main characters. Write a physical description and personality sketch of each. 10 points
2. Write at least three other plausible endings to the story. With each ending, explain how the new conclusion might change the theme. 15 points
3. Rewrite an entire chapter in play script form. 20 points
4. Draw sketches of the main characters or the principle settings. 5 points each
5. Write a letter from one character to another explaining the motive behind a particular action. 20 points
6. Write a summary of a possible sequel. Where do we find the main characters? What is happening to them? How does the sequel end? 30 points
7. Present to the class an evening news show reporting on the main characters, the conflict, the resolution, and the theme of the story. 20 points
8. Write the front page of a newspaper with news articles drawn directly from the story. Include at least one factual news store, feature story, editorial, entertainment review, and obituary. 50 points
9. Read another book by your author and compare similarities found in writing style, setting, tone, personal viewpoints on life, and themes. 75 points

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| 10. Rewrite the story in summary form from the viewpoint of another character. How does this change the theme?   | 40 points  |
| 11. Construct something that is symbolically significant to your book, perhaps a costume or a castle. (Ex. of architecture, etc.)  | negotiable |
| 12. Make a vocabulary sheet of at least 20 words from the story. (Obviously, these should be words you are unfamiliar with.)   | 10 points  |
| 13. Write a letter to your author to critique the story. Include plot progression, character development, theme, and writing style.  | 35 points  |
| 14. Write a biography on the author of the book that you read. Research the author on the internet and in the library. (at least two pages in length)  | 45 points  |
| 15. Make a video portraying at least three different scenes from the book. Show the video to the class.  | 30 points  |
| 16. Make and present a power point presentation. Include the plot, character descriptions, setting, and information on the author.   | 25 points  |
| 17. With help from others, or by yourself, act out a dramatic scene from the story.  | 35 points  |
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| Book Report: Summarize the story, tell about the author, explain how the 5 elements of fiction are used in the story (use examples), and give your opinion of the book and why you liked or disliked it. | 100 points |