

Second Grade Book Report Projects



Due Dates

First Trimester:

Friday, October 15th
Genre: "Mystery"
*Project - Giant Postcard

Second Trimester:

Friday, February 11th
Genre: "Fantasy"
*Project - Diorama or Puppet

Third Trimester:

Friday, March 11th
Genre: "Biography"
*Project - Timeline

Note - Students will be responsible for giving an oral summary of the book they read. We will focus on speaking with a purpose, speaking slowly/loudly/clearly, making eye contact, and using visual aids appropriately.

Name _____

Date _____

Organizer for Summarizing

Someone

Who is the main character?

Wanted

What did the character want?

But

What was the problem?

So

How did the character try to solve the problem?

Then

What was the resolution to the problem?

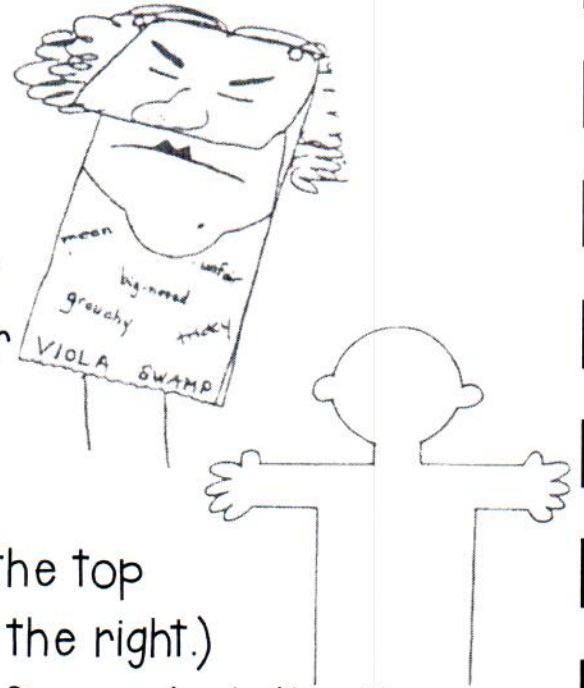
Summary

Puppet/People Pop Ups

Use a paper bag to create a puppet for one of the characters in your book. Add colored paper, yard, fabric, felt, sequins, feathers, or anything else...be creative! Write at least ten adjectives on the puppet that describe your character OR read below to make the "People Pop Ups."

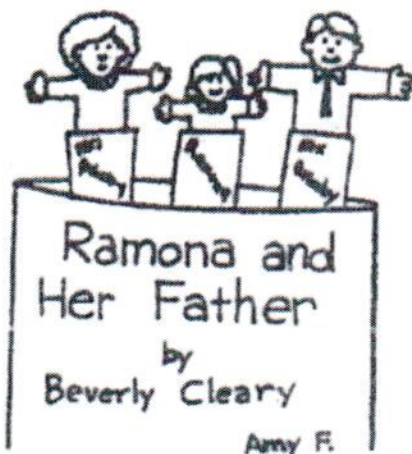
You need:

- one sheet of white drawing paper
- six 2" x 6" strips of construction paper
- one 9"x12" sheet of construction paper
- glue



Directions:

1. On white paper, draw the outlines of the top half of three people. (See sample on the right.)
2. Draw faces and clothing to make the figures look like three characters from the book.
3. Glue each character between two of the strips of construction paper.



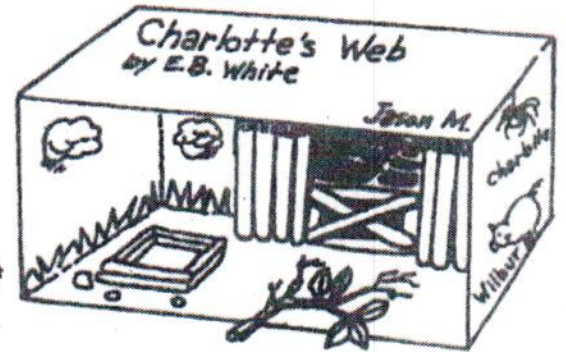
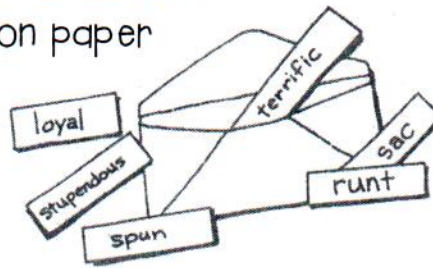
4. Write each character's name on the front of the strip and a short description on the back.
5. Fold the 9"x12" paper like a book cover. Glue the sides and bottom edges together to form a "pocket."
6. Write the title, author, and your name on the front. Pop the people inside so that they are peeking out!

Diorama

Use a shoe box to create a 3-dimensional diorama of your favorite scene from the book you have read. Be sure to tell why you chose this scene and why this scene is important to the story. Write this information in a short essay and paste it on the back of the shoe box.

You need:

- a shoebox or other small box
- colored construction paper
- white paper
- crayons
- glue
- an envelope
- pebbles, twigs, cotton, or other objects to make scenery



Directions:

1. Line the inside of the box with light-colored construction paper. Use crayons to add details for a background scene.
2. Use pebbles, twigs, cotton, or other objects to build a three-dimensional scene relating to the book inside the box.
3. Cover the outside of the box with different colors or construction paper.
4. Write the title, author, and your name on white paper to fit on the top of the box. Glue it on.
5. Write a summary of the book to fit on the back of the box. Glue it on.
6. Draw and label the characters to fit on one end of the box. Glue them on.
7. Cut ten strips of white paper to fit inside the envelope. Write ten important words from the story on the strips. Put them in the envelope. Glue the envelope on the other end of the box.