

Paper Bag Book Report

1. On one side of a paper bag, **draw a colorful scene** from the book. Also include:
 - a. The **title** of the book
 - b. The **author**
 - c. **Your name**
2. On the back of the bag write:
 - a. **Main Characters**-Include all of the main characters
 - b. **Supporting Characters**-Include any other characters that may have been in the story but were not main characters.
 - c. **Setting**-Include the places and the time periods your story took place.
 - d. **Conflicts**-Include the main problem within the story.
 - e. **Resolutions**-Include the ending of the story.
3. Inside the bag place **at least six objects** that represent **significant events** that happened in the book. You could also place objects that show **aspects of the main characters' personalities**. You may draw **only one** picture and put it in the bag.
4. You will be asked to **tell the class about your book**. You may read directly from your bag as long as you have eye contact with the class. You will also be required to tell the class about each item in your bag and why you chose this item. You will be given points for loudness and clarity when presenting.

Example: Front of the Bag

Bunnicula By James Howe Your Picture Should Cover Most of This Side. Your First and Last Name
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Example: Back of the Bag

Main Characters: Chester Harold Bunnicula	Supporting Characters: Mr. Monroe Mrs. Monroe Pete Toby
Setting: Movie Theatre Monroe's House	Conflict: Whether or not the bunny is a vampire and how to prove it
Resolution: The dog saves the bunny from the cat's strange behavior. The cat, Chester, is seeing a psychiatrist. The reader is left wondering if the bunny is a vampire or not.	

Oral Presentations

Preparation is the key to giving an effective and interesting presentation. Follow these steps to prepare for your presentation. You will gain confidence as you practice these steps.

1. Plan your presentation
 - a. Plan what you will say.
 - b. Organize your thoughts
 - c. Make notes on index cards
2. Rehearse your presentation
 - a. Practice in front of the mirror and then a parent
 - i. Watch your movements and expressions
 - ii. Use your note cards to remind you of main points and supporting evidence
 - iii. Practice enough times so that you can maintain eye contact with your audience
 - b. Speak clearly and precisely
 - c. Vary your tone of voice, pacing, and volume of your speaking to add emphasis to important points
 - d. Stop a moment after each important point. This emphasizes the point and allows listeners to think about what you've said
 - e. Maintain eye contact with your audience
 - f. Use gestures to draw attention to specific points

Remember, the old saying, "Practice makes perfect." This is true in this situation, and will boost your confidence.

Paper Bag Book Report Rubric

Name _____

Name of Book _____

Front of the Bag (Title-2, Author-2, Student's Name-3, Colorful Picture-3)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Back of the Bag (Main Characters-4, Supporting Characters-4, Setting-4, Conflict-4, Resolution-4)

0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20

Items in the Bag and Reasons Why Each Item is Significant to This Book (5 points for each item and 5 points for the reasons the item was chosen)

Item 1	0	5	6	7	8	9	10
Item 2	0	5	6	7	8	9	10
Item 3	0	5	6	7	8	9	10
Item 4	0	5	6	7	8	9	10
Item 5	0	5	6	7	8	9	10
Item 6	0	5	6	7	8	9	10

Items could have been created by the student or just found around the house. No one needs to spend any money on this project. **One** drawing on a piece of paper is accepted but no more than one will be counted when grading.

Presentation of Material (Student spoke loudly, clearly and made eye contact)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Total Points Earned _____

Grading Scale:

- 4 Above and Beyond
- 3 85-100
- 2 67-84
- 1 66 and Below

Grade for Project