

# Sixth Grade Book Club



- Students will choose their own books, at their own reading level in different genres to read. Books can come from home, our class library, our school library, or the public library.
- Students will need to read their particular book in class and at home each day.
- On their assigned day, they will meet with the other members of their Book Club to share letters and/or projects.
- Book Clubs meet approximately once a month, except in December. Each student will be provided with two schedules to keep one in their binder and one at home.
- By reading and completing projects and Knowledge of Book Surveys, students are working their way to completing the three levels. They will be recognized at the award's assembly at the end of the year.
- Of course, they also accumulate points that make up part of their reading/language arts grade, at the end of each trimester.
- See attached packet for more information regarding Sixth Grade Book Club.



# Level 1

## Requirements for Level 1

You should be reading A.R. books in your reading level for Book Club. Most of the books in your class are automatically approved. For others, you need to check with your teacher first. Each student should complete five Book Surveys, two projects, one poetry presentation, and one biography presentation to earn your **required** minimum Level I. You need to complete and pass the A.R. test with a 70% or above for the book before you complete the Book Survey or Project. You cannot use graphic novels for Book Club.

<b>Title of Book</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Genre</b>	<b>Letter or Project</b>
	Sept.	Realistic Fiction	Survey
	Oct.	Newberry/ Classic	Survey
	Nov./Dec.	Poetry	Poetry Presentation
	Jan.	Nonfiction Historical Event	Project or Survey
	Feb.	Biography	Project
	March	Fantasy or Adventure	Survey
	April	Nonfiction- Informational	Project or Survey
	May	Historical Fiction or Mystery	Survey

# Level 2

## Requirements for Level 2

Dear Sixth Grade Student,

We are pleased that you have decided to work towards completing Level 2. Your success in finishing Level 1 proves that you are a skillful and hardworking student! **Here are the requirements for Level 2:**

Title of Book	Genre	Letter or Project
		Author (2 Books) <i>Study</i>

### Level 2 Author Study Information:

**Author Study:** To complete an author study, you need to read two books by an author of your choice. (Make sure you have your teacher's approval). Then you will write an essay about the work of this author. Write at least one paragraph answering each of these questions or question clusters:

**Paragraph #1:** Who is the author you have chosen for your thesis? Why did you choose this author? Can you share some interesting details about the author's life?

**Paragraph #2:** What are the names of the two books you have chosen? What genre are each of the two books? How many pages long are each of the books?

**Paragraphs #3 and #4:** Write a one paragraph summary of each of the two books.

**Paragraphs #5:** Compare the settings of the two books. Are they similar or different? How? Why?

**Paragraph #6:** Compare the main character(s) in the two books. Are they alike or different? How? Who is your favorite character? Why? Describe at least two other interesting characters in the book.

**Paragraph #7:** What are the themes of the books? Are they similar or different? How? Why?

**Paragraph #8:** What about the author's style. Does he/she write in a similar style in each book? How would you describe it? Has he/she incorporated his/her own life experiences in the stories?

**Paragraph #9:** Which of the books is your favorite? Why? Write at least 3 sentences telling why you liked this book the best.

**Paragraph #10:** If you could challenge this author, what would you tell him/her?

**Paragraph #11:** Compliments for the author! What strengths did the author demonstrate in these books? Language? Humor? Characters? Plot? Suspense? Action? Emotion? Be specific and give examples from the books.

# Level 3

## Requirements for Level 3

Dear Graduate Student,

We are pleased that you have decided to work towards completing level 3. Your success in finishing level 1 proves that you are a skillful and hardworking student! **Here are the requirements for Level 3:**

Title of Book	Genre	Letter or Project
		Passion Project Tri-Fold (3 books)

### Level 3 Requirements:

#### Passion Project-

- 1) Get Passion Project Tri-Fold from Mrs. Wildhagen.
- 2) Start with side #1 and brainstorm topics of interest.
- 3) Once you decide on your topic, read a minimum of 3 books (they don't necessarily have to be A.R. books) about your topic that are approved by Mrs. Wildhagen.
- 4) Complete tri-fold with a lot of **DETAIL** and ensure to use correct spelling. Please answer all questions in complete sentences and most questions should have more than a one sentence response.
- 5) Plan a presentation of your topic for the class and set up a time and date to present with Mrs. Wildhagen. Tri-fold and project will need to be ready to be turned in on day of presentation.