

Summer Reading Notecard Book Report for Grades 3-5

Directions: Complete **one 5"x 8" index notecard** book report for one of your summer reading books. Please write in complete sentences using correct spelling, punctuation and grammar. Students should use the following handwriting guidelines: Rising 3rd graders write in print. Rising 4th graders write in print or cursive. Rising 5th graders write in cursive.

Front of Notecard

- Book Title
- Author's Name
- Large, neat, colorful, free hand illustration that should take up a majority of the card space.

Back of Notecard

- **Summary (3–5 sentences)**
 - Include: title, author, and if it's fiction or nonfiction
 - Setting (where/when), main characters
 - Beginning: how it starts
 - Middle: main problem/adventure
 - End: how it's solved
- **Lesson/Theme (1–2 sentences):**
What did the character learn OR what lesson does the story teach?
- **Readability (1 sentence):**
Was the book easy, just right, or hard to read?
- **Opinion (1–2 sentences):**
Did you enjoy the book? Give a reason.
- **Recommendation (1 sentence):**
Who would enjoy this book? Explain why.
- **Signature:** Sign your name

Grading Rubric (100 points)

- Title: _____/5 pts
- Author: _____/ 5 pts
- Illustration: _____/25 pts
- Signature: _____/5 pts
- Summary: _____/25 pts
- Lesson/Theme: _____/10 pts
- Readability: _____/5 pts
- Recommendation: _____/ 5 pts
- Opinion: _____/10 pts
- Penmanship: _____/5 pts

Misspelled words: _____ (-2 points each)

Incomplete sentences: _____ (-3 points each)

Incorrect punctuation: _____ (-2 points each)