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OPTION 1
BLOG – on EDMODO see instructions attached

___ Blog entry shows evidence of preparation (see example on EDMODO).
___ Fiction: Blog entry includes the title, author, characters and summary. 3 paragraphs
    Nonfiction: Blog entry includes the title, author, main ideas and interesting facts. 3 paragraphs
___ Blog entry includes your opinion, recommendation, & response (minimum 5 sentences) to 2 H.O.T. questions.

- Higher-Order Thinking questions. (H.O.T.questions)

   FICTION
   1. Would this book make a good TV show? Why or why not?
   2. How is the main character the same or different from you?
   3. What other books or stories might you compare to this book? Tell about the similarities/differences?
   4. Would you change the ending of this book? Why or why not?

   NON-FICTION
   1. How is the subject like another you have read?
   2. If you were to write a book on the same topic, how would you present it? (In a new fashion, different emphasis or viewpoint.)
   3. Have a dinner party for this person. Who would you invite (at least two other people) that this person would enjoy spending time with? Why did you choose them?
   4. Does this subject make you aware of any problems that need attention? What would you do about the problem?

___ Blog entry has few errors in grammar and spelling.
___ Student responded thoughtfully to at least 1 fellow student's blog entry. minimum 5 sentences
___ A key quote or excerpt from the text is present in the blog entry.
___ Blog entry proves connections were made with the book read.

See additional options on the next page……..

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OPTION 2

BOOK REPORT IN A BAG
___ Oral presentation states the author's name and the title of the book.
___ Oral presentation gives a summary:
      Fiction: Plot, main characters, setting and events from the book shared.
      Nonfiction: Main ideas and interesting facts from the book shared.
___ Shares reactions, and explains why you recommend the book.
___ Bag includes all necessary parts from attached directions and few grammar or spelling errors.
___ Presentation is enthusiastic and grabs the audience's attention.
___ Shares a connection made with the book.
___ Presents with appropriate eye contact and voice.

OPTION 3

SCRAPBOOK PAGE
___ Product includes your name, title and the author of the book.
___ Product includes pictures/drawings relating to the book.
___ Product includes: Fiction: Main characters and events from the book. Minimum 3 paragraphs
                    Nonfiction: Main ideas and interesting facts from the book. Minimum 3 paragraphs
___ Product is neat and organized showing pre-planning.
___ A key quote from the book is used in the product
___ Product includes opinion and recommendation.
___ Few errors in grammar or spelling

OPTION 4

BOOK TRAILER – attach file to EDMODO, save on flashdrive or DVD, use iMovie, WeVideo, Keynote or Power Point, or other movie app
___ The movie trailer presents the student's name and the title and author of the book.
___ The movie trailer "hooks" the audience in to the book.
___ Fiction: The movie trailer includes a summary of the book, at least 1 paragraph, which does not give away the ending. The summary may be typed into the video OR done as a voiceover. Also includes a credits page.
    Nonfiction: The movie trailer includes main ideas and interesting facts from the book. (1 or more paragraphs) Also includes credits page.
___ The movie trailer has 5 clips/ frames (minimum) which are clear and relate to the book. Clips may be still pictures or video clips.
___ The movie trailer includes appropriate background music and visuals.
___ Has few grammar and spelling errors.
___ Is 1-3 minutes in length.

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