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March Book Project

Mystery: A story or genre that focuses on solving a crime or unusual event. There can be a detective, suspect(s), a lead (or red herring - false lead), evidence, a crime, witnesses, and/or clues.

Mystery Puzzle

Mystery stories are written puzzles made for a reader. To complete this project, you will make a MYSTERY PUZZLE that gives information about the story you have read independently. ***Be sure you make puzzle pieces big enough so that you can write neatly and include all of the important details!***

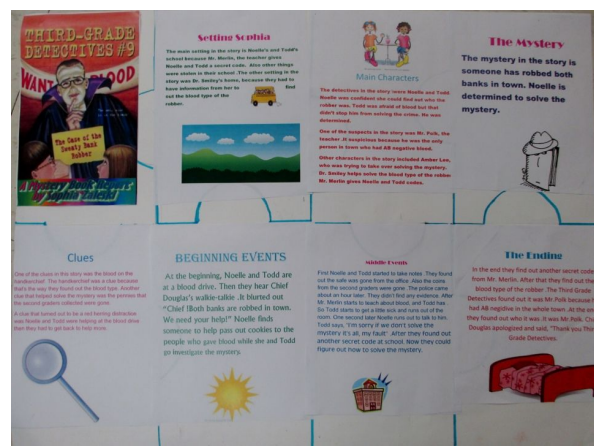
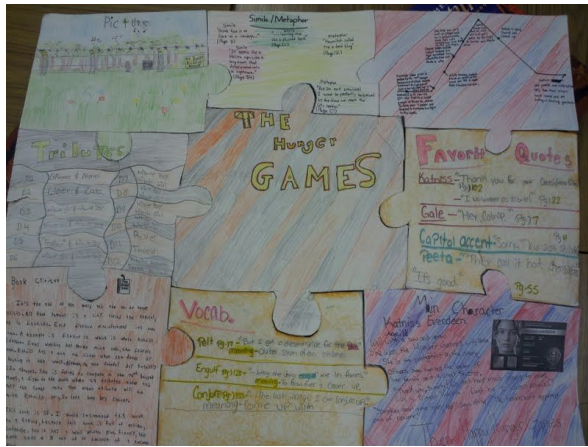
Suggestion: sketch large puzzle pieces in pencil first and then start writing and/or drawing in them. Adjust puzzle piece sizes as necessary. *You may type your writing for the puzzle pieces if you wish.*

- Piece #1 - should be a creative display of the title and author of the book as well as your name.
- Piece #2 - should tell the reader about the main character and secondary characters in your book as well as include a picture of the main character..
- Piece #3 - should tell the reader about the setting of the book.
- Piece #4 - should tell the reader about the problem of the book.
- Piece #5 - should tell the reader about the main events of the book.
- Piece #6 - should tell the reader about the climax of the book (the high point or turning point).
- Piece #7 - should tell the reader three clues about the problem of the book.
- Piece #8 - should give a hint of the solution of the problem but NOT give away the ending.
- Piece #9 - include a colorful picture of your favorite part of the story.

Put your pieces together on a large piece of tagboard or poster board.

Be prepared to give an oral summary of the book. Be familiar with the characters, setting, problem and solution. You will be presenting your oral summary to the class. You may use a note card to help you, but please do not read word for word from the note card.

Remember this is a project, so be sure to double check your spelling, capitalization, and punctuation!



Book Ideas

1. <https://www.weareteachers.com/21-must-read-mystery-books-for-kids-2/>
2. <https://www.scholastic.com/parents/books-and-reading/book-lists-and-recommendations/adventure-fantasy/mystery-books-8-13-year-olds.html>
3. <https://bookriot.com/2018/07/10/must-read-mystery-books-for-kids/>
4. https://www.goodreads.com/list/show/493.Best_Mysteries_for_Young_Readers

Mystery Puzzle Grading Rubric

<u>MUSTS</u>	Points Possible	Points Earned
Pieces #1 - #9 displayed neatly on tagboard or poster board	45	
Neatness, Penmanship, Spelling, Grammar, and Punctuation	15	
<i>Oral presentation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye contact • Partial memorization • Presenting voice 	30	
Time and effort evident in both puzzle and oral presentation	10	

Total Points: 100 / _____