Presentation/Book Talk

(share with other students)

Explanation: This is the creative and fun part. Students share a book that they enjoyed in a method of their choosing.

Presentation and Content (score of 1-4):

- An interesting introduction to catch the audience's attention
- A brief summary of the book (but do not give away "spoilers")

Effort and Extensions (score of 1-4)

- effort and time spent on project come through clearly leaving no doubt the project was taken seriously and time was committed to a job well done.
- Student recommendation of what type of reader might or might not enjoy the book.
- a verbal summary of a nonfiction article or book that has to do with the selected story (for example, an article about a hydroelectric plant for the <u>City of Ember</u>) and an explanation of how it ties in with the story.

NHI - Not Handed In/not completed

BLU - Below Level/Under Expectations

- 1-Minimal skills and understanding lacking in effort or information
- 2-Developing skills demonstrated coming along, but below expectations; may lack quality or polish
- 3-Clear demonstration of skills effort shows understanding
- 4-Skills demonstrated at highest level a well done model for other students

Demonstration of Understanding Literary Components (shows

understanding - sheet to turn in to Mr. L.)

Explanation: This is the "business" end of the book report. Students are submit written (or typed) demonstration of their understanding of literary components to turn in to Mr. L.

Requirements for literary components include (score of 1-4):

- completion of a character analysis sheet
- completion of a <u>plot diagram sheet</u>
 - conflict
 - o plot (including rising action, climax, and falling action)
 - resolution
- description of major settings (either on a document or included in the presentation/book talk)

Answers to questions 1-6 below (score of 1-4):

- 1. What was your **favorite part of the book** and why?
- 2. What was the **most emotional or suspenseful part of the book**, and what connections with your life or another book, story, or movie were you able to make?
- 3. What would you describe as a **low point of the book** (this can indicate part of the book that you didn't enjoy or a part of the book in which a character really struggled with a situation)?
- 4. What was the **theme or lesson** learned by a character in the book?
- 5. To what type of reader **would you recommend the book and why**? What type of reader might not like this book, and why not?
- 6. What **nonfiction connection can you make** between the book and an actual thing or event in the real world? Include a summary of a nonfiction book or article along with the source of your information.

BLU-Minimum requirements not met

- 1 Majority of elements addressed, but only on most basic level; extremely short and sometimes unclear answers
- 2 Developing almost all questions/tasks completed, but could use better explanations in some areas.
- 3 Fully complete with clear demonstration of understanding
- 4 All parts extremely well done with thorough explanations