Elementary book report

Grades 3–5 · summarize, notice a character, and give a reasoned verdict.

Book: _____ Author: _____

My name: _____ Date: _____

My rating: ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

This book is about…

The main character is…

The best thing they did was…

My favorite part…

Draw the most important moment:

I would / would not tell a friend to read this because…

Middle school book report

Grades 6–8 · map the plot, prove character claims, and state the theme.

Title: _____ Author: _____

Genre: _____ Pages: _____ Finished: _____

The story in five beats

Exposition — the world and who is in it

Rising action — the problem builds

Climax — the turning point

Falling action — the consequences

Resolution — how it settles

Main character — three traits, each with evidence from the book:

A quote worth keeping (copy exactly and add the page number):

The theme in one sentence — what the book is really about:

My verdict and who I would hand this book to:

High school book report outline

Grades 9+ · build a five-paragraph argument with evidence attached to each claim.

Title: _____ Author: _____

Genre: _____ Thesis / central claim: _____

Introduction — hook, title and author, context, then your thesis.

Body paragraph 1 — first reason supporting your thesis.

Body paragraph 2 — second reason, with a specific scene or quotation.

Body paragraph 3 — strongest point or objection, answered with evidence.

Conclusion — restate the claim in fresh words and explain why it matters.

A useful body paragraph connects claim → evidence → explanation. Follow the assignment rubric if it differs.