

Biography/Autobiography Book Report

Written Report due Wednesday, November 30th

Oral Presentations Begin Thursday, December 1st

Written & Oral Requirements

Students are to write a book report and give an oral presentation after reading a biography/autobiography of their choice. A biography is an account of a person's life written by another person. An autobiography is a biography of a person written by that person.

BOOK REPORT – Each paragraph is to be at least 3-4 sentences (paragraph form, topic, 3-4 supporting sentences):

1. Cover Page

Include a drawing of your character, book title, author, illustrator (if provided), biography/autobiography of, publisher, your name, and date.

2. Paragraph One

Introduction – Share whether or not this is a biography or autobiography about the person you chose. Give a brief description of the person you chose to write about and why.

3. Paragraph Two

Describe the early life of your character. Tell about what kind of person he or she was/is. How did their childhood experiences influence their achievements as an adult? What was it about your character that helped him or her to succeed?

4. Paragraph Three

Tell about the work your character did. What were their main accomplishments? Tell why his or her contribution/work was important? Did he or she invent something or teach others? How did their accomplishment change their life, the lives of others, and possibly the world?

5. Paragraph Four

Describe the goal of this person. Do you think this person was successful? Why or why not? What were the factors that influenced this person's goals/achievements? Did he or she experience any setbacks? If so, how did he or she overcome them?

6. Conclusion

What's the one thing we should all know about this person? What do you think is the most impressive quality about your person? Why? What is your opinion of this person's life and of his or her accomplishment(s)? Would you recommend this biography/autobiography to others? Why or why not?

ORAL PRESENTATION

1. Each presentation should be 2-3 minutes in length.
2. Each presentation should include an Attention Getter (something that captures the audience's attention). This could include a funny/interesting story about the person you uncovered during your reading, the reason you chose this person, something unique about this person we may not know. Students should begin their presentation with their Attention Getter.
3. In the oral presentation, share why you chose this person, why the person is famous, and give a brief description of the person's life.

4. Bring in THREE items that represent something about the person. Share how the item reflects the person's goal, struggles, or accomplishment(s). Share how the item reflects on the person's life, society, and possibly the world. Note, items should fit inside a shoebox. The outside of the shoebox should be decorated to reflect the person's accomplishment, dreams, and goals in his or her life.
5. Conclude with your personal thoughts on why you chose this person. Share something you have learned about this person that you may not have known before. Would you recommend this biography/autobiography to others? Why or why not

Enjoy and Have Fun with Your Report!