

Mystery Genre Book Talk and Poster



Your Book Talk assignment involves delivering a 2-4 minute book talk to the class about the mystery novel you are reading. The object of this book talk is to convince the listener to read the book you are recommending. A book talk is similar to a movie trailer in that it gives just enough information to convince you that you should watch the movie.

Your presentation will include a visual aid (movie poster) to present to the class. You may use notes, but you may not read your entire presentation.

PROJECT: Make a movie poster (an advertisement for the book) to use as the backdrop to your book talk.

Make sure your poster includes these elements:

- **Setting**
- **Characters**
- **Plot (Think about the “story mountain” when summarizing the plot... Do not share the solution to the problem with the class. Don’t give the ending away!)**

How your poster will be assessed:

- **Neatness/spelling**
- **Overall project...does it entice people to read the book?**

How your book talk will be assessed:

- **Your Book Talk is 2-4 minutes in length**
- **Speak loudly and clearly**
- **Make frequent eye contact with your audience**
- **Introduction includes title, author and interesting quote**
- **Middle includes characters, setting, and “What is the Mystery???”**
- **Resolution convinces the audience to read this book!**