

Omnibus Book Report

Month: November Due: 7th – Dec. 6, 8th – Dec. 7

Book Requirements: from the book list in the Library

Name: _____

Book Chosen: _____

Teacher Approval: _____

(10 points for selection within first week: ____)

Instructions: Choose a book that meets the requirements above. Get approval from the teacher for the book you have chosen. Read the book. At the end of the month, turn in a book report (handwritten or typed and printed at home) that meets these requirements:

Length: Five paragraphs of at least 5 sentences each.

For this report, you will be writing an “elenctic” essay. This is a kind of essay that is based on the Socratic method of questions and answers. Identify an interesting concept that you book mentions or contains (something like “friendship,” “corruption,” “hospitality,” and “temptation”—but don’t use one of those). Think of an interesting, debatable question about that idea.

Four points for each box: excellent (4), satisfactory (3), needs improvement (2), incomplete (1), and missing (0).
4 bonus points for every week it is turned in early.

	Contains 4 sentences that meet the requirements	Is neat, with good grammar/spelling	Sentences support main idea of paragraph	Word choice is vivid and interesting, and sentence structure is complex and varied
I. Introduction: Introduce your concept. Define your concept. Ask your interesting, debatable question about that idea. Tell me why it is worth asking and debating. 5 sentences				
II. Give a wrong answer to the question. Start with “It seems like...” Explain why this wrong answer might make sense to some people. Make reference to your book and/or the Bible. 5 sentences				
III. Give another wrong answer to your question. Start with, “It also seems like...” Explain why this wrong answer might make sense to some people. Make reference to your book and/or the Bible. 5 sent.				
IV. Give the right answer to the question. Start with, “I believe that...” Explain why this answer is correct. Make reference to your book and/or the Bible. 5 sentences				
V. Conclusion: Summarize your argument. Remind the reader of the question, the two wrong answers, and your right answer. 5 sent.				
Concept is interesting and Question is debatable:	____ / 10			

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