Newbery Oral Book Report

For your Newbery book report, you will need to read a 2015 Newbery contender of your choice. Once you have finished reading the book and have prepared your report, schedule a presentation time with Mr. Mac. All presentations must be completed before the Newbery Award announcement on Feb 2\textsuperscript{nd}.

You are welcome to read and present on multiple books – your highest report grade will be the one I count.

You will need to give an oral report using the following 3 R’s of Reading:

- **Retell**: Present a brief summary of events in your book – NO SPOILERS! Only include the important plot events. Ask yourself, “Does the action move the story forward?” Avoid retelling the whole story in explicit detail. Must include at least six, but no more than eight events.

- **Relate**: Make two connections to what you have read. The connections can be text-to-text, text-to-self, text-to-world, or text-to-media. Refer to evidence in the text to make your connections.

  In the novel, ........reminds me of......(book, movie, current event, song, my life, etc.)....because...

- **Reflect**: Do you have any questions for the author about your novel? Was there a topic/character/setting discussed in the novel about which you have an opinion? What do you think is the main theme or message of the book? Please be specific and detailed with your reflection.

Visual Aids

Visual aids are optional, but often make the speaker and audience feel more comfortable and engaged. Please feel free to develop and use whatever visual aids you prefer.
Newbery Oral Book Report Rubric

Eye Contact & Body Language /5
- Student makes frequent eye contact with audience
- Note cards may be used as cues to remind you of topic
- Poised and confident body language

Volume & Clarity /5
- Student speaks loudly enough to be heard in the back row
- Words are clearly articulated at all times

Fluency & Pace /5
- Student moves fluently through the presentation & is well prepared
- Fluency only comes with practice, so practice a lot!

Expression /5
- Student uses an expressive voice to entertain and engage audience

Retell /10
- Student presents a brief summary of events from book
- Student includes at least six, but no more than eight events

Relate /10
- Student makes two detailed and thoughtful connections to what has been read
- Student refers to evidence in the text to make connections

Reflect /10
- Thoughts are clearly explained with detail and direct reference to the novel when sharing opinions and questions about the story

Total Points: /50