

Reading Fair

Step-by-Step Guidelines

Step-by-Step Guide FICTION

Step 1: Choose your Category and Division.

Category: Individual Fiction (Divisions A-F)

___ Division A (Kindergarten)

___ Division B (Grade 1)

___ Division C (Grade 2)

___ Division D (Grade 3)

___ Division E (Grades 4-5) ___ Division F (Grades 6-8)

Step 2: Bibliographic Information Use the title page to identify the bibliographic information.

Title: Name of the book. Make sure the title is underlined or use italics if typing.

Author: The person who wrote the words or text in a book.

Illustrator: The person who contributed the pictures.

Publisher: The Company that printed and distributed the book.

Copyright Date: The year the book was published. Look for the © symbol in front of the date.

Step 3: Setting

There are 2 parts to a book's setting.

You must include both!

1. TIME

When did the story happen? Be specific!

2. PLACE

Where did the story take place? If the story takes place in more than one location, choose only the most important place.

Step 4: Author's Purpose

Why did the author write the story?

- To entertain (All fiction is written to entertain.)
- To inform (Historical fiction informs.)
- To persuade (Does the book inspire me to do or become something?)
- A combination of the above

The author wrote the book to_____.

Step 5: Tone/Mood

How does the author want you to feel when you read the story? (e.g., Sad, happy, scared, curious)

The author wants the reader to feel

Step 6: Main Characters

Do not list more than three characters. Write a short description of each character. Use adjectives to describe the characters. Do not tell the story in this step. Characters listed below must be mentioned in the summary.

Name: _____

Short description:

Name: _____

Short description:

Name: _____

Short description:

Step 7: Conflict

What is the main problem in the story? Choose only one problem.

Step 8: Solution/Resolution

How is the problem solved?

Step 9: Plot Summary

DO NOT RETELL THE STORY!

Summarize what happened in the story. Be sure to include each main character you listed in Step 6.

Step 10: Design Your Tri-fold Board

Congratulations! The hard part is over; now, the fun begins! Use a standard tri-fold project board that unfolds to be 36" high x 48" wide. The sides fold in to make the board stand by itself. After you fold the sides in, the final project cannot exceed 36"W x 14"D x 36"H.

Carefully type or write the story elements in Steps 2 - 9. Be creative. For example, if your person is a football player, you might choose a font like "Impact".

PROPS

Props add interest but must fit in the middle of the display. No items can protrude from the back or top of the tri-fold board. Props can be battery-operated, but you cannot use electrical outlets and extension cords. Items cannot be alive, valuable, or dangerous. You do not have to display the book.