

**OUTSIDE READING****NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **#** \_\_\_\_\_

Each month you will have a form to fill out for the reading you have done in addition to the books we read in class. It is usually due on the LAST SCHOOL DAY of the month. The form will give a place to record your reading and will give the required assignments. To get full credit for well-done work, the form/project must be turned in by the due date. If it is late, or not done, there will be a 10% deduction for each day late. After one week (5 school days), assignments will not be accepted. This outside reading requirement is 10% of your Language Arts grade.

**September**

1. Chapter book- mystery
2. Picture book- Hispanic heritage/book by Hispanic author
3. Magazine article- world events
4. Newspaper/website article- Asia

**October**

1. Chapter book- historical fiction set in another country
2. Picture book- your choice
3. Magazine article- disabilities/Paralympic athletes/neurodivergence
4. Newspaper/website article- current U.S. news event (takes place in the United States)

**November**

1. Chapter book- biography/autobiography
2. Picture book- Native American Culture/Thanksgiving/Fall
3. Magazine article- your choice
4. Newspaper/website article- obituary

**December**

1. Chapter book- your choice
2. Picture book- Christmas/winter story
3. Magazine article- ancient history
4. Newspaper/website article- letter to the editor

**January**

1. Chapter book- nonfiction
2. Picture book- minerals/rocks
3. Magazine article- current event
4. Newspaper/website article- Africa

**February**

1. Chapter book- Black author/story about Black families or characters
2. Picture book- science
3. Magazine article- feature story about someone
4. Newspaper/website article- your choice

**March**

1. Chapter book- your choice
2. Picture book- women's history
3. Magazine article- health/medicine/diseases
4. Newspaper/website article- opinion piece/editorial

**April**

1. Chapter book- the outdoors/survival/nature
2. Picture book- your choice
3. Magazine article- nature/recycling/planet Earth
4. Newspaper/website article- sports

**May**

1. Chapter book- graphic novel
2. Picture book- humorous story
3. Magazine article- your choice
4. Newspaper/website article- current Walla Walla local news event

**June and beyond...**

You choose the books and enjoy learning more about our world. Have a great summer!

**September Reading Report**  
**Due October 3**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- mystery

- a. Title \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Date of publication \_\_\_\_\_ Number of pages \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe how you did at solving the mystery (minimum 3 complete sentences) :**

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2. Picture book- Hispanic heritage/book by Hispanic author

- a. Title \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_

**After reading this book, what do you think is important to the author?**

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3. Magazine article- world events

- a. Title of article \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Author \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Date of publication \_\_\_\_\_

**What was one thing you learned from reading this article?**

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4. Newspaper article- Asia

- a. Headline of article \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Title of newspaper/website \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Date \_\_\_\_\_ d. Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Write a one sentence summary of the article. What was the main idea?**

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**October Reading Report**  
**Due October 31**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- historical fiction set in another country

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ Pages \_\_\_\_\_

c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

d. Location of the story \_\_\_\_\_

e. Time period of the story \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: draw a picture (8x11) that shows an event from the book.**

2. Picture book- your choice

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ Illustrator \_\_\_\_\_

Why did you pick this book? Use a complete sentence.

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3. Magazine article- disabilities/Paralympic athletes/neurodivergence

a. Title of article \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name of magazine \_\_\_\_\_

c. Date of publication \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: write a one-paragraph summary of the article. Use another piece of paper and attach it.**

4. Newspaper/website article- current U.S. news event (takes place in the United States)

a. Headline of article \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name of newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

c. Date of newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: 5 Ws of the article**

Who? \_\_\_\_\_

What? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Why/How? \_\_\_\_\_

**November Reading Report**  
**Due December 1**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- biography/autobiography

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_

c. Number of pages \_\_\_\_\_ d. Date published \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: write 10 questions AND give answers about the person. Be sure the questions show what you have learned about him/her. Use a separate piece of paper and attach it to this one.**

2. Picture book- Native American Culture/Thanksgiving/Fall

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_

c. Illustrator \_\_\_\_\_

d. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Write 2 things you learned in this book.**

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3. Magazine article- your choice

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_

c. Date of publication \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Write a 5-7 sentence paragraph telling what you liked or didn't like about this article. Use a separate piece of paper.**

4. Newspaper/website article- obituary

a. Name of newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

b. Date of publication \_\_\_\_\_

c. Name of deceased \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

d. Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death \_\_\_\_\_

e. Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_

f. Date of funeral/memorial service \_\_\_\_\_

g. Other interesting information \_\_\_\_\_

**December Reading Report**  
**Due January 5**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- your choice

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_

c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Pages \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: chose one: 1) draw a cartoon showing the events of this book (at least 8 panels). Include drawings, talk/thought bubbles, and CAPTIONS that describe what is happening. This may be a color drawing or pencil, but it needs to show details. Or 2) write a one-page report on this book.**

2. Picture book- Christmas story/winter story

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_

c. Illustrator \_\_\_\_\_ year published \_\_\_\_\_

d. Who would like to read this book? \_\_\_\_\_

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Magazine article- ancient history

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ Topic \_\_\_\_\_

c. Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_

d. Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: create an activity based on information in this article. It could be an acrostic, word search, maze, game, or other activity you come up with. Staple it to this paper.**

4. Newspaper/website article- letter to the editor

a. Headline \_\_\_\_\_

b. Title of newspaper/website \_\_\_\_\_

c. Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_ d. Author \_\_\_\_\_

d. Topic of letter \_\_\_\_\_

e. Do you agree or disagree with the writer? \_\_\_\_\_

f. Why? \_\_\_\_\_

**January Reading Report**  
**Due January 30**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- nonfiction

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_

c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_ pages \_\_\_\_\_

**Book Assignment: write 10 facts/things you learned from this book (use complete sentences)**

2. Picture book- rocks/minerals

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ date published \_\_\_\_\_

**Picture Book Assignment: write down two questions you have for the author after reading this book.**

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3. Magazine article- current event

a. Title of article \_\_\_\_\_

b. Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_

c. Author \_\_\_\_\_ date published \_\_\_\_\_

**Magazine Article Assignment:**

Text-self connection (how can you connect what you read to yourself)

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Text-text connection (how is this like another book/magazine you've read)

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Text-world connection (how does this connect to something in the real world)

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4. Newspaper/website article- Africa

a. Name of newspaper/website: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ Country/location \_\_\_\_\_

c. Article title \_\_\_\_\_

d. Differences with the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

e. Similarities with the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

**February Reading Report**  
**Due February 27**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- Black author/story about Black families or characters

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ pages \_\_\_\_\_

c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: write a one-page summary of the book. Attach it to this form (10-12 pt font).**

2. Picture book- science

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ illustrator \_\_\_\_\_

c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Did this book make you want to learn more about the topic Why or why not?**

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3. Magazine article- feature story about someone

a. Title of article \_\_\_\_\_

b. Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_

c. Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: answer the 5 Ws for the article you read.**

**Who?** \_\_\_\_\_

**What?** \_\_\_\_\_

**When?** \_\_\_\_\_ **Where?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Why was this person chosen?** \_\_\_\_\_

4. Newspaper/website article- your choice

a. Headline \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name of newspaper/website \_\_\_\_\_

c. Writer \_\_\_\_\_ date of issue \_\_\_\_\_

d. How could this article have been improved? Give two specific ways/reasons.

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**March Reading Report**  
**Due April 3**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- your choice

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ pages \_\_\_\_\_

c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: ORAL BOOK REPORT – this will include 1) title, 2) author, 3) summary of the book, 4) what you liked/disliked about the book, 5) recommendations. 2-4 minutes long.**

**Demonstrate confident body language/posture, speak loudly and clearly.**

2. Picture book- women's history

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ pages \_\_\_\_\_

c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

d. Who were the major characters in this book? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Magazine article- health/medicine/diseases

a. Title \_\_\_\_\_

b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ Topic \_\_\_\_\_

c. Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_

d. Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: write 5 facts about this article. Look for interesting and new information. Be sure to write sentences correctly. Use a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form.**

4. Newspaper/website article- opinion piece/editorial

a. Headline \_\_\_\_\_

b. Writer \_\_\_\_\_ Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_

c. Newspaper/website \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment:**

**Do you agree with the author's article?                      Yes              No**

**Why do you agree or disagree? Use 3-5 complete sentences.**

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**April Reading Report**  
**Due May 1**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- the outdoors/survival/nature

- a. Title \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ pages \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ year published \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: DIORAMA-** In a small box create a scene from your book. Include background, characters, key objects, scenery, and a title card giving book title and author. It should be neat and creative. Be prepared to talk about it with your classmates and other classrooms.

2. Picture book- your choice

- a. Title \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ date published \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Illustrator \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Why did you pick this book? Use complete sentences. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Magazine article- nature/recycling/planet Earth

- a. Title of article \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ date of issue \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment:** what are some ways you can help planet Earth? Write down 1 idea that you can do personally. Write 1 idea that we can do as a community. Write 1 idea we can do as a global community. Write them on another piece of paper and attach them to this form.

4. Newspaper/website article- sports

- a. Headline \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Writer \_\_\_\_\_ Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Newspaper/website name \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment:** Based on this article, make two predictions for how this athlete/team will do in the future.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_

**May Reading Report**  
**Due June 1**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter book- graphic novel

- a. Title \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Illustrator \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ Date Published \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Using the style of the graphic novel you read, design a new cover for the book. Include the author's name, the illustrator's name (if different from the author), and the title. Make sure it covers major events/details from the book. Be prepared to share it with the class.**

2. Picture book- humorous story

- a. Title \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Illustrator \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Why did you find this story humorous? Be specific.**

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3. Magazine article- your choice

- a. Title \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Author \_\_\_\_\_ Title of magazine \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Your best question for the author \_\_\_\_\_

4. Newspaper/website article- current local event (takes place in Walla Walla)

- a. Headline of article \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Name of newspaper \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Date of newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: fill in the blanks for the 5 Ws of this article.**

Who? \_\_\_\_\_ What? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Why? \_\_\_\_\_