Book Report Options with Simple Rubric

Choose one option for a book report. Topics can be about the content of the book, about the characters from the book, or you can create a new story about the characters from the book.

Written reports will be double spaced, 12 pt New Times Roman.

Everyone will present reports to the class in 5-10 minute presentations. Presentations will be judged on: content, voice, eye contact, use of materials, and ability to communicate

Activity	Description	Rubric: Excellent	Rubric: Adequate
Interview a Character	This activity may be done by one or two people. Interview one of the characters from the book. Ask questions and answer those questions as you think the character would.	8 or more questions and well thought-out answers Good choice of character	5 – 7 questions and well thought- out answers Fair choice of character
Oral Presentation	Create a presentation to explain items or topics from the book. Some topics you might talk about are: the Great Depression, music in the 1930s, the author of the book, or what happens to Bud after the book ends.	Well researched At least 5 items & 3 facts for each Written summary more than 2 pages	Some research Less than 5 items & 3 facts for each Less than 2 pages of written summary
Create a Play	This activity may be done by one or two people. Write and act out a scene from the book, or a new story involving characters from the book.	Good choice of characters and situations At least 10 minutes	OK choice of characters and situations Less than 10 minutes

Graphic Novel	Adapt a scene from the book, or a new scene involving characters from the book, into graphic novel format.	Good choice of characters and situations More than 3 pages long	OK choice of characters and situations Between 2 and 3 pages long
Movie Poster	The book has been made into a movie. Make a movie poster to advertise the movie, complete with tag line and brief summary.	Good use of images to convey themes from the book Interesting tag line Interesting and accurate summary	Some use of images Acceptable tag line Acceptable summary
Letter to a Friend	Write a letter to a friend about the book, describing the book and why you liked (or didn't like) it.	3 or more good reasons Explains those reasons well More than 2 pages Proper personal letter format	Less than 3 good reasons Reasons not explained well Less than 2 pages
Rewrite a Scene	Students rewrite a scene from the book from the point of view of a different character.	Good choice of characters and situations More than 3 pages	Between 2 and 3 pages
Quiz Game	Students make questions for a game about several topics or characters from the book.	15 or more interesting questions of varying difficulty	Less than 15 questions Lacks variety in difficulty