



# TIC TAC TOE ALTERNATE BOOK TALK



**WHAT:** This project is called a "Book Talk" and it requires you to read a book of your choice and then to talk to the rest of us about it for **2-5 minutes**. This book **cannot** be a book that you have already read or are halfway finished reading (i.e. It must be a new book that you have just begun reading).

Your presentation must include **the 4 items below PLUS the major assignment below**.

- Title** of your book (please have a copy of your book available to show us), author's name, and genre of your book (mystery, science fiction, fantasy, realistic fiction, etc.)
- Your reason** for choosing the book
- Plot summary** of what happened in the book (keep it brief and do **NOT** give the ending away).
- Your opinion** of the book - Let us know what you thought about your book. Did you like it? Why or why not? Remember, you do not have to love the book, so please be honest.

**WHEN:** We will have a limited number of classes to work on this project so use your time wisely. You may also find that you need to work on this project at home as well.

The book talks will begin **Thursday, June 2, 2011**.

Presentations will be in random order so you **MUST** be prepared on this day.

**WHY:** The purpose of this project is for you to share information about a book to your classmates. This will give you experience presenting information and stating your opinions in front of your peers.

*\*\*Please note: if you read more than one book, you can also answer the 4 items above (a-d). You may receive bonus marks of up to 4 bonus marks, depending on the quality of those items.*

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Your presentation must include the 4 items above (a-d) PLUS the following.

## BOOK WEB SITE

Students will need to create and present a web site (using [www.WEEBLY.com](http://www.WEEBLY.com)) where they will create the following things:

1. "HOME" page which includes :
  - a. Title and cover picture of the book
  - b. A 2-paragraph overview of the book (without any spoilers)
  - c. Your name, class and the assignment due date (June 2, 2011)
2. "ABOUT THE AUTHOR" page which includes:
  - a. A 2-paragraph biography of the author
  - b. A list of the other books which the author has written (maximum 20)
  - c. A photograph of the author.
3. "CHARACTERS" page which includes:
  - a. A list of the main characters (maximum 10)
  - b. A 1-2 paragraph biography of each character (without any spoilers)
  - c. Photographs of the main characters (or you may draw these digitally)
  - d. Credits ([www.whereIgotit.com](http://www.whereIgotit.com)) for each photograph.
4. "EVENTS" page which includes:
  - a. A list of the big events in your book (maximum 20)
  - b. A description of each event (1-2 sentences)
5. "AUTHOR'S SEQUEL" page which includes:
  - a. A list of the sequels (or prequels) which the author has made.  
(Is this book just one in a series?)
  - b. Photographs of the sequels (or prequels)
  - c. Credits ([www.whereIgotit.com](http://www.whereIgotit.com)) for each photograph.
6. "MY SEQUEL" page which includes:
  - a. OH NO! Something very sad has happened to the author and they can't continue writing this series! You have been hired to write the next book in this series!
  - b. List the continuing main characters that you will keep in your sequel.
  - c. Create at least 3 new characters that you will introduce in your sequel, and describe them
    - i. Are they good or bad?
    - ii. What do they look like?
    - iii. Who are their friends? Who are their enemies?
  - d. Explain how these new characters will interact with your continuing characters.