In order to give an effective book talk and get full credit, you must fill out this worksheet and do the accompanying research.

STUDENT'S NAME ________________________________________________________
TITLE OF BOOK ________________________________________________________
AUTHOR’S NAME ________________________________________________________

Number of Pages: ___________________ Date of Book Talk: _________________________

I chose to read/discuss this book because: ____________________________________________
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Summary of book: (Please include main character’s name, plot, setting, time, and a brief summary of what the book is about.) ________________________________________________
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Book Rating: From (1) for “Not so hot” to (10) for “Awesome!” _________________________

Author Research: Please find the following information about your book’s author.
Date of Birth: _____________________________ Place of Birth: _______________________
What types of books does this author write? __________________________________________
What are some other titles by this author? ____________________________________________
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List at least two (2) interesting facts about this author that you found during your research:
1. ______________________________________________________________________________
2. ______________________________________________________________________________

Please write down at least two (2) resources you used to do your author research:
1. ______________________________________________________________________________
2. ______________________________________________________________________________
BOOK TALK GUIDELINES

◦ You must have a copy of the book you will be talking about.
◦ You must stand during your book talk.
◦ Address the whole class, not just the teacher.
◦ Speak clearly.
◦ Introduce the book, including the title, author’s name and summary.
◦ Talk about your author – what did you find out during your research?
◦ Pick two (2) of the questions below as discussion points for your book talk.
◦ Rate your book from 1 (Not so hot.) to 10 (Awesome!)
◦ Ask students if they have any questions or comments.

During your Book Talk, you must answer at least two (2) of these discussion questions.

1. What did you enjoy (or not enjoy) about this book? Why?

2. What books have you read that are similar to this book?

3. What message do you think the author was trying to give in writing this novel?

4. Who was your favorite character? What did you appreciate about him/her?

5. Have you ever personally experienced anything similar to the action of this novel?

6. Did you find this book a quick read? Why or why not?

Teacher Comments: _____________________________________________________________
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Points for your Book Talk (out of a possible 20 points) ________________________________