

Book Review Term 2 2018

Main Character Recount

PART ONE:

Due Date: Monday 4th June 2018

Choose a fiction novel to read. After you've finished, pretend that you are the main character in your book. Write a descriptive recount of an event from the book that you remember most. Write from the eyes of that character. Add another paragraph and explain why it remains clear to you.

Word count:

Juniors and Middles – 200-300 words

Seniors – 300- 500 words

How to write a recount:

A recount tells about an event in the order that it occurred. So, to begin with, set the scene telling the orientation e.g. : When it happened, Where it happened, Who was involved, Why it happened and What happened. Describe the event and then finish with a personal / emotive comment showing how you felt about the event. Remember to use past tense and write in the first person (use "I").

Presentation

You will need a title page with your name, the due date, the words "Main Character Recount," and the title of your book.

PART TWO:

Present your book review to the class. Use palm cards. Tell us the Title, who the author is, who the publisher is, who the characters were, where it was set and recount the plot. Then give your opinion of the book and whether it's worth reading.

A great idea is to bring in the book to show us. Practice first – make sure you use an interesting voice, keep your body mostly still and use good eye contact.



Item	Checklist	Tick ✓
PART ONE		
1	Read your novel	
2	Reflect and choose an event to write about.	
3	Re-read that section.	
4	Put yourself in the 'zone' or the eyes of the character to retell the event.	
5	Plan your work and organise your ideas. Make sure it's in the right order. Write down key names, places or words.	
6	Remember to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show the story – don't tell it. • Add sensory details. • Choose spicy verbs or words that are natural to the piece you are writing. 	
7	Write the event and live the moment as you write. Use "I"	
8	<u>When</u> did it happen?	
9	<u>Where</u> did it happen?	
10	<u>Who</u> was involved?	
11	<u>Why</u> did it happen?	
12	<u>What</u> happened?	
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use short and long sentences. • Use different sentence beginnings. • Check your punctuation. • Check your spelling. • Hunt down errors! 	
14	Finish with a comment showing how you felt about the event.	
15	Add a paragraph and explain why this event remains clear to you.	
16	Count your words: Jnrs & Mdls 200- 300 Seniors 300-500	
17	Read your work aloud to see if it makes sense.	
18	Change it and edit it to improve it further.	
19	Write out or type a good copy.	
20	Check it for errors and check it again.	
21	Make a title page with your name, the due date, the words "Main Character Recount" and the title of your book.	
22	Rate your work 1, 2 or 3.	
PART TWO		
23	Prepare your oral presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tell us the Title; • Who the author is; • Who the Publisher is; • Who the characters were; • Where it was set and • Recount the plot (tell us what happened in the book). • Your recommendation 	
24	Make palm cards using the above prompts	
25	Practise your presentation and remember to engage your audience.	
26	Rate your presentation 1, 2 or 3.	