



4th & 5th Grade Summer Book Report

4 th Grade	Title: Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing Author: Judy Blume
5 th Grade	Title: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe Author: C.S. Lewis

Paper Bag Book Report Directions

1. Read your assigned novel.
2. Answer the questions for each side of your paper bag using *evidence* from the story.
3. Write your answers on the sides of the bag as described in the directions below.
4. Find 5 symbolic items that relate to your novel and place them in the bag.
5. Remember to write in complete sentences and be creative!

Directions and sample pictures on pages 2 – 6:

first, you need to get a brown paper grocery bag. if you don't have one at home, you can get one at the grocery store.

front cover:

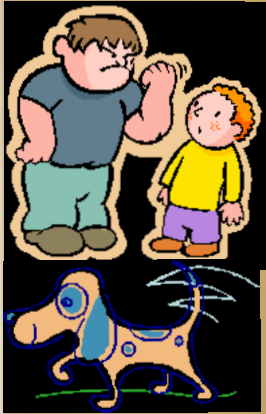
- the title
- the author
- an illustration showing an important event in the book
- a caption explaining the illustration
- your name

title
author



caption that explains the illustration
your name

characters



character descriptions

setting



time,
place,
context

right side characters

draw three main characters from the book - be sure to include a description of the character (not just appearance, but also character traits, and evidence (how do you know this?))

right side- draw the setting

be sure to include time (past, present, or future), place, and context (what we need to understand or accept to follow the story line - this could be magic, space travel, etc.)

left side- problem & resolution

write a good paragraph explaining the main problem in the story and how this problem was resolved. remember, you are looking for the main problem - don't get bogged down in details.

back side-summary

summarize the main events in chronological order. stick to the main ideas and avoid getting side tracked by details. be sure to include beginning, middle and end.

back side- item descriptions

describe the five items that you have placed inside the bag. explain what each item is, what it has to do with the story, and why you chose to put this item in the bag.

inside the bag

place five items that represent an important event in the book. each item needs to be symbolic of an main character, setting, problem, or event in the story. describe these items and what they represent under the summary on the back of the bag.

paper bag book report rubric

Requirement	Points
Front Cover – Title, Author, Illustration, Caption, Your Name	10
Right Side – Three main characters with descriptions	10
Right Side – Setting (Time, Place, Context)	10
Left Side – Problem (What is the problem and who does it affect?)	10
Left Side – Resolution (How was the problem resolved – be specific)	10
Back Side – Summary of the book (Beginning, Middle, End)	15
Back Side – Item Descriptions (Description, Symbol for..., Why you included it)	15
Oral Presentation (Stand up straight, eye contact, clear, loud voice, and presentation)	20
Totals	100