## **Grade 8 Book Report Format**

## (Typed in 12 pt. font, Times New Roman, 5 paragraphs) BOOK REPORT HEADING:

Name:

Date:

Title of Book:

Author of Book:

Illustrator:

Number of Pages:

Genre:

**Thesis Idea:** (Give the basic theme of the book in one sentence)

## PARAGRAPH ORDER AND DESCRIPTION:

- 1. Introduction: Contains the thesis statement (Central Idea).
- 2. Setting: Describes the time period and location.
- 3. Characters: Name and describe major characters.
- 4. Plot: Explains what the major character attempts to do:
  - To discover, to overcome, to adapt, to learn, to find, to become, to mature, to solve, to conquer.

Tell the difficulties encountered in this attempt. There is often more than one problem. Sometimes one problem leads to another.

- 5. **Plot Resolution:** How are the final problems solved? How does everything work out? What is the final attitude of the main character?
- 6. **Conclusion/Spiritual Application:** An evaluation of the book as a literary work. What was the author's purpose? Does the book teach a lesson or moral? Are the characters role models? Would you recommend this book? Why or why not? Is there a spiritual message? What Bible verses or stories can you connect with this book. Fully explain your spiritual connections.

\*Book Reports are due on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of each month. Books can be selected from the attached book list. Books not on the list must be approved by the teacher two weeks in advance of the due date. Book reports should follow the above format.