

You will be giving a five-minute presentation to class and will write a 300 to 500-word summary of your book club book.

### **Some Questions to Consider for Book Reports**

Start with the book title, author and a one sentence summary.

Select a passage to read out loud.

What was the author's purpose in writing the book?

What do you think about the author's research? Was it easy to see where the author got his or her information? Were the sources credible?

What biases do you think the author might have? How could this impact the way the book was written?

What did you already know about this book's subject before you read this book?

What were five things you learned from the book?

Did this book change or challenge any preconceived notions you had about the subject?

Have you read anything else on this subject by an author with a different viewpoint?

If you met the author of this book, what would be two questions you would have?

Is the author someone you would like to know in real life?

Did you race to the end, or was it more of a slow burn?

Did you reread any passages? If so, which ones?

Which scene has stuck with you the most?

How did it impact you? Do you think you'll remember it in a few months or years?

Would you ever consider re-reading it? Why or why not?

Did you stop to Google anything while reading this book?

Would you recommend this book? Who would you recommend it to?

What do you think is the most important takeaway from the author's story?

### **Book Report Dates:**

5/14 The Nature of Oaks: The Rich Ecology of Our Most Essential Native Trees

In Defense of Plants: An Exploration into the Wonder of Plants

5/21 The Bird Way: A New Look at How Birds Talk, Work, Play, Parent, and Think

The Forest Unseen: A Year's Watch in Nature

- 5/28 Half-Earth, Our Planets Fight for Life  
Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation That Starts in Your Yard,
- 6/4 Journeys Through Paradise: Pioneering Naturalists in the Southeast  
Travels Through North and South Carolina- Bartram  
Empire's Nature, Mark Catesby's New World Vision- Catesby  
A Naturalist's Voyage Round the World: The Voyage of the Beagle- Darwin  
Views of Nature, Alexander von Humbolt