



## **File Folder Book Report:**

***Among the Hidden* by: Margaret Peterson Haddix or  
*Stargirl* by: Jerry Spinelli**

**Due Date: Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**

This report must be completed on one of our two summer reading books, *Among the Hidden* or *Stargirl*. **Your child will receive a grade for their completed project that will be averaged with their AR test grade to total ONE comprehension grade in Reading. Plus, they will present their project to the class for a presentation grade.** If your child does not turn in their report by the due date, it will result in a ten point grade deduction for each day it is late. \*No projects will be accepted after the week of September 4<sup>th</sup>-Sept 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Materials needed:** File folder (teacher will provide if needed), crayons or colored pencils, internet or other research resources, a pencil, and your book.

**Directions:** Use the checklist below to complete your book report project:

**\*Examples of completed projects from prior years will be shown in class\***

### **(Front Cover)**

**The front of your file folder should act as the cover of your project.**

1. \_\_\_\_ **A creative illustration** (your version of the book cover)
2. \_\_\_\_ **The title of the book underlined.**
3. \_\_\_\_ **The author**
4. \_\_\_\_ **Your name and date written like this:**

Book Report completed by: John Smith on August 31st, 2017

### **(Left Inside Panel)**

**The left inside panel of the file folder should include the following sections:**

1. \_\_\_\_ **3 Main Characters** (Illustrate each of the main characters and describe them in at least two sentences each. Use plenty of descriptive words and tell about their personalities.)
2. \_\_\_\_ **Setting- Where does the story take place?** (Illustrate picture of **one** of the main settings in the book, and describe it in at least 3 sentences. Use plenty of descriptive words so that the reader can see, hear, taste, smell, and touch the setting.)
3. \_\_\_\_ **Key Words-** Find at least **six** words that you did not know the meaning of before reading this book. Then write the words in this section along with their definitions. Use a **dictionary or the internet.**

### **(Right Inside Panel)**

**The right inside panel should include the following sections:**

**1. \_\_\_\_ Plot-** What is the main problem in the story and how do the main character(s) solve it? This needs to be **WRITTEN** in **two paragraphs**. Each paragraph must consist of at **least three sentences**. Don't forget to be very **descriptive, neat**, and to double check for **grammatical errors**.

- Paragraph 1- "What is the main problem in the story?"
- Paragraph 2- "How does the problem get solved?"

**2. \_\_\_\_ Summary-** **What happened and in what order?** (This section needs to have at least 4 paragraphs consisting of at least 3 sentences each.)

- Your first paragraph will answer, "What happened first?"
- Your next paragraph will answer, "What happened next?"
- Your third paragraph will answer, "Then what?"
- The final paragraph will explain the final event.

### **(Back Panel)**

**The back panel should include the following section:**

**1. \_\_\_\_ Book Review-** Your book review should be a paragraph of at least three sentences:

- On a scale of 1-5, how would you rate the book?
- Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?
- Was this book interesting, or were there any interesting parts? **EXPLAIN**

**2. \_\_\_\_ About the Author-** First, you will need to print, from the internet, a picture of the author of the book you read & place it in this section. (If you do not have access to the internet or a printer at home, Mrs. Gibbs, our school librarian, will print a picture for you for 10 cents). Then you will need to tell about the author in at least two paragraphs.

- **Paragraph 1-** Should tell when and where the author was born; about his/her family, education, and childhood. Also, include any important or interesting facts about the author.
- **Paragraph 2-** Should explain how the author actually became a writer. What was his/her inspiration for writing this book; and any other important book(s) he/she has written.

**Parent Acknowledgement Form:**

**I have read the requirements for the summer reading book report and realize that this report will count as TWO reading grades in INow for first quarter. In addition, I acknowledge that all reports are due on Thursday, August 31st, 2017 and that NO projects will be accepted after Friday, September 8th, 2017.**

**Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date that I received the report instructions: \_\_\_\_\_**

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