

Author Study Book Report

Due: In class Wed. December 20, 2006

DIRECTIONS: Choose another book written by Katherine Paterson or Zilpha Keatley Snyder and read the book. Then, complete the following book report guidelines...

A. A title page with the title "Characters by the Same Author"

A Book Report by (first and last name), date and teacher's name.

B. First part:

1. An introduction: Two paragraphs that include the title of the book you read (underlined), and the author you chose. Also, a brief summary of the story. End your introduction with a sentence that introduces the 2 characters that you will discuss in the next paragraph.
2. A paragraph naming and describing 2 major characters in the book.

C. Second part:

1. A paragraph that compares the two characters you chose, to the 2 major characters in the book we read in class. (For example, if doing a book by Zilpha Keatley Snyder, then compare them to April and Melanie; if doing a book by Katherine Patterson, then compare them to Jess and Leslie)

Guiding Questions: Are the major characters similar or different in the two books? How are they similar or different (in personality)? Round? Flat? Dynamic? Static? Does the author introduce the characters in the same way in both books? Why do you think so?

2. Finally, write a conclusion giving your opinion about the writing of each book. Did you like the two books? Why or why not? Would you read another book by this author? Why or why not?

D. Final part:

1. Reread your rough draft and compare it to the grading rubric given to you by Mrs. Santerre. Did you meet all of the criteria for a complete book report?
2. Have a parent or teacher read the book report *one week* before you hand it in. Then, create your final product using your neatest handwriting or type it if you prefer.

NOW PAT YOURSELF ON THE BACK!! YOU DID A GREAT JOB!!