# Senior “A-Student” Book Report Format—-Mr. Thackeray

***The potential “A” student should demonstrate writing mastery expected of highly proficient college-bound high school seniors accustomed to rigorous scholarship. Therefore, meticulously following the directions on this page is mandatory. Due one week prior to regular book report—check due dates posted in classroom or on-line.***

*The single-spaced four line heading in the upper left corner of your typed (10 or 12 point clean font), double-spaced, book report should contain the following information:*

Your Name

Class Period

*Italicized Book Title*

Author Name

Two spaces under the heading, begin your report using the following guidelines.

If you are writing about a fiction book, in the first paragraph summarize the plot of the story in 125 words or less. If the book is non-fiction, explain who or what the book is about in the first paragraph in 125 words or less. In those 125 words also express your general holistic opinion of the book.

In the second paragraph, in 125 words or less, explain how the main character changes or remains static during the story. If the author makes the character seem real, explain how; if the author fails to present a realistic character, explain the failure. Give specific examples. If the book has no characters, explain why the subject is important and explain how the author chose to present that subject.

After the first two paragraphs, insert a subheading that alerts the reader to the nature of the next section. This next section should consist of a 5-9 paragraph essay presenting your argumentative discussion of the book’s potential application. You should demonstrate how the book applies to one of the following four areas: **1. Sociology, Political Science, or Economics; 2. Religion or Philosophy; 3. Arts or Literature (Humanities); or 4. Science or Technology** Additional source material (suggested), if used, must be cited using MLA style.

**Do not use second person point-of-view (an action considered a fatal flaw on this assignment) in your book report; use first or third only.**

A grade of 90-100 on this additional quarterly book report, in addition to earning 90-100 on your regular classwork, will earn an **A** for the quarter. Report is due one week prior to regular book reports.

**Thank you for your hard work.**