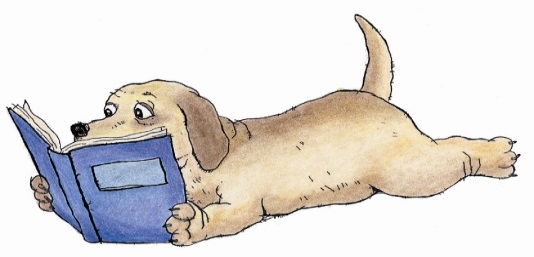
**Independent Book Project Instructions**

The main purpose of the Book Projects is to get you reading and enthusiastic about reading, as well as exploring different genres of books. I will be looking for overall understanding of the book, as well as, evidence that you have read the book.

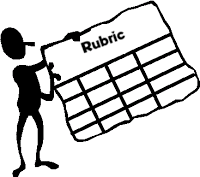
Every month, you will choose a new book to read for your independent reading project. Once you have completed a particular free-choice project, you may not repeat the same choice for future projects. You will be given a choice menu and some monthly options as well. *Reading different genres of books is encouraged.*

**September: FREE CHOICE**

***Book choice has to at least be on a 5th grade reading level*** *(it can be higher if appropriate)*

**DUE DATE: Thursday, Sept. 28th**

* If a book is too difficult/easy, or you cannot find interest in it, you may exchange the book and choose a different one within the first week of the project. Books can be chosen from our classroom library, a library book, and/or a book from home.
* If you have any questions on how to complete the projects, please let me know and ask me so I can explain the details and expectations.
* Be creative with the materials you will use! You can use crafts, markers, paints, construction paper, poster board, clipart, internet pictures, real pictures, or hand-drawn/colored pictures.
* You can type information for any project, ***but remember***…all the information should be written and presented in your own words. **No Plagiarism is permitted**!

**You will be graded on the following:**

* Content, Accuracy, and Relevance
* Graphics (photos, pictures, etc.)
* Attractiveness/Creativity/Neatness
* Spelling/Grammar/Mechanics
* Presentation and Preparation…on time!