

Science Book Requirement – EACH Trimester

Word-process the following neatly. Hand in to Mr M for grading evaluation. (It will be glued into your science journal at a later date.)

STEP 1 (Everyone)

SUMMARY/OVERVIEW

Write a brief summary (or overview) of your science choice book.

Summary/overview will depend on the type of book you read. Is it a science fiction, science issue book? Or is it more of a non-fiction, fact based book?

Provide the **author** and **title** in the first sentence of your summary/overview. Be sure to address the book's **main idea** in your summary/overview.

STEP 2

EITHER

If your book is **non-fiction/fact based** (non-fiction)...

10 PASSAGES

Locate ten passages that give scientifically accurate information. Copy each passage. Provide the page number of the passage.

EXPLANATION

Under each quoted passage give a brief explanation of why the passage is important information to be a scientifically informed person.

OR

If your book is a **science fiction/science issue** type of book (fiction)...

Choice #1

THEME

Identify the main theme of the book (Remember, a theme is: An idea that flows through the book and states something about life. It is the underlying meaning or message of a literary work. Ask yourself what point is the author trying to make about the main subject of the book. See Ms S instructions in Letter Essay #2 for more help in identifying themes).

- How is the theme important for us **today** as well as in the book?
- Why should we care about the theme of this book from a scientific perspective?
- Why did you find this an interesting book to read?
- Be sure to quote passages to justify the theme you have chosen.*

Choice #2

ISSUES

Identify at least two science issues (genetic engineering, bio-hazards, etc) that the book deals with that are issues for us as scientifically informed people today.

- How is this an issue for us **today** as well as in the book?
- Why should we care about these issues from a scientific perspective?
- Why did you find this an interesting book to read?
- Be sure to quote passages to support the issues you have chosen.*