

Book Share

WAYS TO SHARE BOOKS

1. Design a book cover for your book that is different from the one it already has. Include a summary of the book inside the cover.
2. Prepare a one-page newspaper based on the book.
3. Make a diorama.
4. Do a pantomime or modern dance that tells part of the story.
5. Write a letter to the author, telling him how enjoyable his book was.
6. Dress up as a character from the book and dramatize a scene from it.
7. Create a “to tell the truth” panel.
8. Give an oral reading, with expression, of selections from the book.
9. Make a poster.
10. Pretend to a salesman and “sell” the book.
11. Draw a picture illustrating part of the book.
12. Read a series of descriptive passages from the book.
13. Write a letter to a friend recommending the book.
14. Prepare a TV or radio broadcast of the story.
15. Write a business letter to a librarian stating why the book should be purchased.
16. Keep a diary for a character from the book.
17. Make a comic strip telling the story.
18. Write a ballad or folk song telling the story.
19. Make a puppet of the main character in the story and produce a puppet show of the book.
20. Make a mobile showing scenes about the story.

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Creative Ideas for Book Shares

- A homemade game about your book
- Make a time line of events in the story
- Make a reading cube of four events from the book showing one event on each of the four sides of the cube. . . with the title and author on the fifth side and picture on the 6th side.
- Choose several main events in the book. Present a reader's theater.
- Create a dialogue between yourself and the main character.
- Discuss people, events, and lesson you have both learned from the story.
- Write a poem that deals with the theme of the book
- Make up a song to a familiar tune that tells about the book
- Create a book float. Use an empty shoe box covered with construction paper as the base. Decorate the sides with tissue squares and the top with anything appropriate to the book.
- Using shelf paper and a box, present the story as a roller movie. Include captions for each illustration.
- Write and act out or video tape a scene from the book
- Make a map of your book on poster paper. Color and identify the major areas.
- Make a picture collage about the book. . . use pictures from magazines.
- Make a word collage about the book . . . use words from magazines and newspapers
- Make a big book with a simple version of the story for younger readers
- Make a travel poster inviting tourists to visit the setting of the book
- Create a bulletin board advertising your book
- Make a favorite food of one of the characters in your book and bring enough to share with the class