English 9 – Mrs. Clay Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Book Talk – Genre Choice Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Block \_\_\_\_\_\_

You will be required to give a book talk to the class on **Friday, May 6th.** This book talk will

consist of your responses to the items below in a digital format (PowerPoint, Prezi, Mixbook, Google Slides, etc…) which you will present to the class. You will be expected to make eye contact and address your audience while referring to your digital presentation. **Each slide should be clear and colorful with a mixture of text and pictures.** The book talk should be 3-5 minutes long, and I expect you to practice at home before presenting. Submit a written copy of your notes to turn in after your presentation.

* SLIDE 1 – Introduction – Create a slide which introduces you to the class (pictures welcome). Tell us what kind of reader you are – likes, dislikes, books you’ve loved, liked, and disliked. Use this slide to lead into your presentation.
* SLIDE 2 - Include the title, the author, the publication date, the number of chapters, and the number of pages in the book.
* SLIDE 3 – Identify the genre and subgenre of the book with a clear explanation of your choice.
* SLIDE 4 – The Setting – Identify when and where the story takes place. Explain how the book would be different if the setting were different.
* SLIDE 5 – In a Nutshell – Create a 5-7 sentence description of what the book is about **in your own words** – NO SPOILERS! What are the main conflicts?
* SLIDE 6 and 7 – The Main Characters – Describe at least 2 major characters in the book. Include details about their physical characteristics as well as their personality. Include a quote from the book that shows each character’s personality. (Create a separate slide for each character.)
* SLIDE 8 – Has your book been made into a movie? If so, create a slide that shows the major characters, scenes, conflicts, etc… If not, create a slide that is your vision for a possible movie.
* SLIDE 9 - Offer your honest opinion of the strengths of the book. List and explain.
* SLIDE 10 – Offer your honest opinion of what would make the book better. List and explain.
* SLIDE 11 – Rating – Considering the language, subject matter, and reading level, identify what rating you would give the book and explain why. (G, PG, PG-13, R) For what age group is the book most appropriate?
* SLIDE 12 - Recommendation – On a scale of 1 to 10, rate the book for a 9th grade audience. Justify why the book is worth reading or not.
* SLIDE 13 – Reference Slide – Using MLA format, create a citation for your book.

Example:

Soto, Gary. Living Up the Street. New York: Bantam Doubleday Dell

Publishing Group, 1992.