

Rubric for Middle School Summer Reading Book Report, Non-Fiction 2011-2012

Question 1: Name a character or group of people from the book who are good examples of Gerstell's Leadership Principles and Attributes.

Points	
0	Oops...your character or groups of people are really not good examples of the Leadership Principles and Attributes.
5	Your character or groups are okay, but not the best choice. Other characters or groups are better examples of the Principles and Attributes.
10	Good for you! Your character or groups are the best examples of the Leadership Principles and Attributes.

Question 2: Write the Gerstell Academy Leadership Principles and Attributes this character or group of people displays. (Minimum of 3)

Points	
0	Your character or groups did not display any of these Leadership Principles and Attributes.
5	Your character or groups displayed some of these Principles and Attributes, but not the others.
10	Okay, but the character or groups used other Principles and Attributes more than the ones you wrote about.
15	Wow, I can tell you thought about your character or groups of people. You chose and wrote about the Principles and Attributes used the most by that character or group.

Question 3: Write at least one example for each Principle and Attribute you identified in Question 2, using text support.

Points	
0	Sorry, but your examples do not match the Principles and Attributes from your answer in Question 2.
5	Some, but not all, of your examples relate to the Principles or Attributes from your answer in Question 2.
10	Close, but you settled for an average answer. There are better examples from the book for your answer in Question 2.
15	Your examples and text support are super! They show that you clearly understood how your character or groups used Principles and Attributes in the story.

Question 4: Name a character or group of people from the book who are not good examples of Gerstell's motto: Leadership, Honor, Courage.

Points	
0	This character or group is not a poor example of our motto.
5	Your character or groups are not the best choice. Other characters or groups clearly did a poorer job of demonstrating Leadership, Honor, and Courage.
10	Your character or group is clearly the best example of people without Leadership, Honor, or Courage.

Question 5: From the book, describe an event which reflects the lack of Leadership, or Honor, or Courage by this character or group of people.

Points	
0	The event you described does not reflect the lack of Leadership, or Honor, or Courage by the character or group you chose.
5	The event you chose is weak. The story has other events that are much better to reflect the lack of Leadership, or Honor, or Courage by the character or group.
10	Your event is okay, but other events would better reflect the lack of Leadership, or Honor, or Courage by this character or group.
15	The event you described is the best choice! Your answer shows that you have a good understanding of how the character or group lacked Leadership, or Honor, or Courage.

Question 6. Explain your reason for choosing this event and use text support to be specific about why you think this character or group of people lacked Leadership, or Honor, or Courage. This answer should be written in paragraph format (7-10 sentences).

Points	
0	Your explanation was the bare minimum. Or you forgot to offer any text support to support your reasoning. Or you did not write in a paragraph format of 7-10 sentences.
5	What you wrote for your explanation is very weak and shows that you don't completely understand how the character or group lacked Leadership, or Honor, or Courage. Or you did not use appropriate, or enough, text support. Or you did not write in a paragraph format of 7-10 sentences.
10	Your explanation and text support are alright, but average or repetitive. Or you did not completely fulfill the paragraph format.
15	Your explanation and text support are super. They show that you have a deep understanding of how the character or group lacked Leadership, or Honor, or Courage. Your thoughts were not repetitive, and you wrote in the paragraph format of 7-10 sentences.

Overall Mechanical Writing Score: Complete sentences, correct spelling, proper grammar, correct punctuation.

Points	
0	You did not write in complete sentences for any of the responses. Or your writing was filled with errors in spelling, grammar, usage, and mechanics, such as proper punctuation. It was difficult to read and understand your thoughts.
5	You did not write in complete sentences for 75% of your responses. Or your writing contains enough errors in spelling, grammar, usage, and proper punctuation that they make it hard to understand your writing.
10	You did not write in complete sentences for 50% of your responses. Or your writing has enough errors in spelling, grammar, usage, and proper punctuation, to interfere with easy reading and understanding.
15	You did not write in complete sentences for 25% of your responses. Your writing has a few errors in spelling, grammar, usage, and proper punctuation.
20	Congratulations! You wrote <u>all</u> your responses in complete sentences. And your writing did not include <u>any</u> errors in spelling, grammar, usage, and proper punctuation.

Student: _____

Teacher: _____

Group Number and Course: _____

Student Book Report Grade: _____/100