

Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____

Silent Sustained Reading (SSR): Student Directions

***Students must have an SSR book at their desks at all times or points will be deducted from their reading grades and/or they will need to sign the “Oops” Book. They make take their book home to read but must either bring it back to school or have another book at school to read.

Approvals and Summaries

***NOTE: A minimum of **two summaries per trimester** is required for a possible 10 points each.

1. Choose a book from home, the library, or from the classroom library.
2. Fill out the **SSR Approval Form** and put in the Approval Tray for Mrs. Ingraffia’s signature.
3. After it has been approved, you will find it in the hanging file in the library. Take it and file the **signed Approval Form** in the **SSR Approval Form Notebook** according to your classroom and number.
4. When you finish the book, fill out an **SSR Summary Form** and turn it in to the Summary Tray for grading.
5. Your grade will be based on:
 - Did you **summarize** or just write details? Are you giving me a **clear understanding** of what the book is about and why you would or would not recommend it?
 - Did you write complete sentences (5-7 in total) that vary in length? Did you try to start each sentence with a different word? Are your words descriptive and vivid?
 - Grammar, spelling, capitalization
6. I will return your original summary, and will give you a Genre Leaf or Genre Star. Write the name of the book, the author, and your name on one side, and the genre on the other (you can use initials for the genre). Return your leaf or star to the appropriate box in your classroom.
7. File your original summary in the **SSR Summary Book** according to the genre. Your graded summary will go home in the Monday Mail.