

# SUMMER READING PROJECT

## 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Students going into 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to read one book this summer, but are encouraged to read more books throughout the entire break. The required book has been selected by your child's teacher, and will be used to complete a special project. After reading the story, students will create a "Shoebox Diorama". Specific details, expectations, and tips for a successful project will be provided along with this informational sheet and the required book. Please take time to review the "Shoebox Diorama" information and the attached grading rubric, as this will help guide your child through the process.

Students are asked to turn in their completed project during the first week of school. The "Shoebox Diorama" will be counted as a Reading grade.

**Required book for students entering 4<sup>th</sup> grade:**

Because of Winn-Dixie: by Kate DiCamillo



# Shoe Box Diorama Rubric



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Book Title \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Overall</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diorama is complete with a relevant scene from the book. (15)</li> <li>Title and author of the book are included. (10)</li> <li>Paragraph about the scene is included. (10)</li> </ul>	<span style="font-size: 2em;">35</span>
<b>Quality</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diorama is neatly put together and includes many details. (15)</li> <li>Inside walls of the box are decorated to go with the scene. (10)</li> <li>Paragraph is written neatly with correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation. (15)</li> </ul>	<span style="font-size: 2em;">40</span>
<b>Accuracy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scene is relevant to the book and accurately portrayed. (10)</li> <li>Paragraph is clearly written and explains why the scene is important to the book. (15)</li> </ul>	<span style="font-size: 2em;">25</span>
<b>Teacher Comments:</b>   <div style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Score</b></div>	<span style="font-size: 2em;">100</span>

# Shoebox Diorama

## The Project

Create a shoebox diorama of an important scene from the book.



## The Details

- Use a shoebox set on its side to create your scene.
- Use small objects such as toys, construction paper, and clay to create your scene. Be sure to decorate the inside walls of your box.
- The title and author of the book should be displayed somewhere on the outside of the box.
- Write or type a paragraph about your scene. Explain what is happening in the scene and why it is important to the book. You can glue your paragraph to the box or leave it separate.

## Tips for Success

- ✓ You can place the lid under the box to create more space for your scene.
- ✓ Include details in your scene to make it look more realistic.
- ✓ You can make people and animals from clay, wire, or cardboard or you can use small toys.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Due Date <sup>by</sup> August 26, 2022

Title of Book Because of Winn-Dixie  
by Kate DiCamillo