

## BOOK TALKS

Book talks are short, engaging descriptions of books that entice readers into reading the book.

### Tips for Creating a Book Talk

1. Keep it **SHORT**: 30 seconds to 1 minute.
2. Start with an intriguing **QUOTE**. Think about a part of the book that piqued your interest. Quote 1-3 sentences from that section.
3. **SUMMARIZE** the book in 1-2 sentences that mention main characters and discussion of plot. DO NOT give away the ending.
4. Student **REVIEW**: Explain what intrigued you and what you would recommend about the book without giving away any spoilers.
5. End with an **ADVERTISEMENT** pitch: “So if you like books about \_\_\_\_\_, then this is the book for you” or something similar.

### Examples of Book Talks

<https://www.goodreads.com/shelf/show/booktalk>

### Flipgrid

Flipgrid is a tech tool that enables teachers and students to create book talk videos and house them on a teacher's Flipgrid classroom. This also allows classrooms to create a classroom library of book talks where students can hear from peers about a book of interest. At the end of the year, the class can total how many books they have read.