







## Book Talks

A Book Talk is a commercial for a book. The purpose of a Book Talk is to motivate students to read a particular book or type of book. It is also an opportunity for the teachers to model their enthusiasm for reading.

- WHEN**  frequently, as in several times a week
- WHY**  to promote the reading of a particular book or book type
- WHERE**  although mostly in the classroom, a Book Talk can occur in any area of the school
- WHO**  teachers, administrators, parents, cafeteria workers, custodians, secretaries, students

## TIPS FOR BOOK TALKS

- provide a brief reason why you are sharing the book
- consider sharing how the book made you feel or think
- include a brief summary
- orally read a part that does not give away the story but makes the listener want to know more
- include a word about the author and his/her other books
- show illustrations, if appropriate, and discuss the illustrator
- draw a comparison to similar books the student may have read
- be brief (3 to 5 minutes)