

Homeschool Spotlight

Upper Elementary Ideas

(Note that these are starting points, not requirements.)

Oral Report - Research a person, place, event, animal, invention, or science topic and teach the audience the most important facts.

- Choose a few main points rather than trying to tell everything you learned.
- Pictures, maps, objects, or a simple poster are welcome.*

Book Talk - Introduce a book to the audience without giving away the ending.

- Describe the setting, characters, problem, or ideas that make it worth reading.
- You may read a short passage that gives the audience a taste of the book.

Recitation/Performance - Prepare a poem, monologue, speech, or passage to present aloud.

- Practice speaking clearly and expressively.
- You may memorize the piece or read it, depending on the selection.

Discovery - Ask a question and find out the answer.

- Explain what you thought at first, what you learned, and what surprised you.
- Examples: What ____? Why ____? How ____?

Demonstration- Show how to do something while explaining the steps in order.

- Choose something simple. Use visuals if needed.*
- Examples: basic skill, craft, technique, or trick

Biography/Character - Learn about a real person and present their life and impact

- Talk about the person or as the person.
- Focus on why they are worth knowing about, not just facts and dates.

*Please check with a librarian before bringing in visuals. Space is limited and anything that requires special setup or will make a mess may not be allowed.