

Cake Pancake Book Report

1. **Index Cards:** Students will describe the scene they are going to artistically recreate on a 3x5 (or larger) index card. Their description needs to include:
 - a. Setting
 - b. What the characters are doing
 - c. What is the conflict or resolution to that scene

Students must write their index card and have it checked off before moving to the next step

2. **Pancakes:** Students recreate the scene they wrote about on their pancake using frosting and other edibles.
 - a. **Hint:** Have students bring in candy, chocolate chips, marshmallows, etc. to share for decorating. Enlist some parent help!
3. **Gallery Walk:** Have students set up their index card by their pancake and do a gallery walk. Some ways to make this interesting are:
 - a. Have students vote for different categories and hand out awards.
 - b. Give students a reading recommendation paper and have them create a recommendations list for either themselves or for specific types of readers based on info from the pancake and index card.
 - c. Divide the class into 2 groups and set up 2 tables for the gallery walk. During the gallery walk have half of the class stand by their pancake and give a 30 second explanation of the scene. Swap roles once everyone has walked through each station.
 - d. Have students take pictures and put the pictures in their PTC folder.
4. **Devour:** After the gallery walk, student can enjoy their scrumptious book reports.

Hints

- *Arrange tables at the back of the lunchroom for this activity.*
- *Cake pancakes are made by following the cake directions and then cook just like pancakes.*
- *You don't have to serve warm since they are made of cake!*
- *Provide a paper plate, index card, and fork for each student.*
- *With 2 large skillets (about 3 pancakes each) it took 25 minutes to make 40 pancakes*
- *One cake mix makes about 10 pancakes the size of the inside ring of a paper plate.*
- *Frosting should be thin so that it spreads easily on pancakes*
- *Use plastic knives to spread frosting and for design*
- *Sandwich bags with corner cut can be used in lieu of decorating tips (optional).*

Have parents come to help!!