Book Trailer Planning Template

Name of Book Trailer: ___________________________  Producer Name(s): ___________________________

Words: Write a few sentences that tell about the story & will make someone want to read it:

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Hints and Tips:
- Read the back of the book. Is there a sentence that grabs your attention? Could you use the blurb as your script?
- Does the main character have a favorite saying?
- Does the main character have a motto or rule that they live by?
- Ask a question such as “What would you do if...?”
- Build suspense such as “A mysterious stranger comes to town”.

Story Highlights: What aspect of the story will you focus on? Exciting scenes? Slow moving suspense?

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Hints and Tips:
- The event should be near the beginning of the book.
- The event should tell about the problem.
- The event should show the characters.
- The event should give a hint to what will happen next.
- The event should not give away the ending.

Sound Effects / Music

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Pacing (How will pacing be used? To draw interest, create suspense, show action? Timing should be effective and efficient?)

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Storyboard for Book Trailers

A storyboard allows you to visually plan your book trailer. They are often used in advertising, animation and film. 9 frames equal approximately 90 seconds.