

Fiction Project

Standards

1. Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured sequences.
2. When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

Project Objectives

1. You will identify a model and write a creative narrative.
2. You will research a setting and other appropriate information for your story.
3. You will create a piece of fiction.

Project Stages

I. Research

1. Using a minimum of three (3) sources, research a real setting to base your story on and the appropriate information for your chosen genre. You must use at least one book, two internet sources, and employ proper note taking skills and note cards.
 - a. Science Fiction - New technology and/or scientific speculation and/or scientific theories
 - b. Fantasy – Speculation on fantastical elements (i.e. real knights, kings, faeries, ghosts, etc. or those who believe in them)
 - c. Mystery – Information related to police and/or private investigations
 - d. Historical Fiction – Actual historical person and/or event

II. Planning

1. Create a hypothetical storyline using a graphic organizer
2. Create foundation for chapter using graphic organizer

III. Writing

1. Writing
 - a. Base your narrative style on the style employed by the story you read.
2. Content
 - a. Authentic description of setting based on the one researched with sensory details, establishing time and place
 - b. Develop characters (minimum of two) using several different methods of characterization (*description, appearance, actions, speech or dialogue, others' reactions to characters*)
 - c. Elements appropriate to your chosen genre
 - d. Cover page (*title, author = your name, date, class period*)
 - e. Bibliography
3. Format
 - a. Typed, double spaced, 12 font, 1 “ margins
 - b. Page numbers at bottom of page
 - c. **Chapters should be a minimum of 2 ½ pages and NO LONGER than 5-6 pages**
 - d. Proper mechanics, capitalization, spelling, vocabulary, sentence variation