

Student Publishing Project: Summer Project

For this project, you will be creating a children's book of your very own!!

Project Requirements:

1. You'll be putting all your knowledge of literary elements, writing, grammar, and spelling to write an interesting children's story on one of the following topics:
 - a. How to survive middle school
 - b. Making and Keeping friends
 - c. Dealing with family issues
 - d. How to handle conflict
 - e. Discuss the importance of media
2. You must research your topic by reading other novels that have related themes. Write a Summary or complete two book reports of at least two novels related to your topic. This must be turned in with the final project.
3. Be creative and develop your own characters, conflicts, and plot line.
4. Do the following to develop your story. This process must be turned in as part of your final project
 - a. Prewriting: Story Board (Chart or flow map showing sequence of events and the plot).
 - b. Story Elements: Outline the setting of the story, characterization of main characters, and the type of dialogue that will take place between characters in your story.
 - c. Typed Rough Draft
 - d. Revision & Editing: Handwritten changes should be reflected on your typed rough draft.
 - e. Typed Final Draft: Should reflect the written changes that were made on your rough draft.
5. Refer to current children's books and arrange another copy of your final draft into a form of a children's book and include illustrations. You may need to make changes to your book to accommodate your change in audience and format.
6. Your book must include a Title page, Dedication page, 15 pages of story with illustrations, and an about the Author page. A minimum of 5-7 sentences (not including pics) must be present on every page.
7. Get at least 4 people to read your book and provide comments and their opinion about the book. Use this information to create a "brag page" for your book. Attach a copy of your book reviews with your final project.
8. Be sure that the final draft of your book is well put together. Be creative and have fun with this activity!!!

Rubric

Element	Points Possible	Comments
Written summary or book reports of two novels	40	
Writing Process		
Pre-writing story board	10	
Pre-writing story elements	10	
Typed rough draft/Revision (Marked by Adult w/signature)	5	
Typed final draft	25	
Change in format/audience		
Creation children's book with illustrations (15 pgs. With 5-7 sentences on each page)	30	
Title Page/Dedication/Author's page	10	
Book reviews	20	
Total	150	