

MULTIGENRE PAPER

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This is a chance to pursue a passion in your intellectual/emotional/spiritual life, a chance to strive to answer a question involving a topic of consuming interest to you and to communicate your learning through a multigenre project, where you get at the factual, the emotional, and the imaginative. This is a time to try the untried and to be expansive.

Choose a person, idea, topic, trend, era, cultural phenomenon, movement, thing, place . . . and become the quintessential mad researcher, the wiggled out, completely immersed learner on the trail of information vital to achieving peace of mind and satisfying your insatiable curiosity.

Genres or pieces your multigenre project must contain:

-Your paper must contain at least six different genres to receive a B. Papers receiving an A will go beyond this minimum requirement. Your paper must include all of the following.

- Cover Sheet: Name, Title, Class Period
- Preface/Introduction/Dear Reader (This will be the last pieces you write)
- Poetry
- Dialogue
- Prose/Fiction
- Exposition (example: mini essay)
- 3 visual elements/art
- Unifying elements (repetend, repeated images, genres answered, fragmented narrative, etc.)
- End Notes Page

Include in your paper all nine bulleted items. But you'll need to write more genres than these to create a fully realized multigenre paper. Wherever else you go in the writing is up to you. Range as widely as you want in creating this paper.

One tip: select a topic and begin your research soon, make it part of your academic life. Immerse yourselves in your topic so the writing comes easy.

Important Dates:

- Tuesday, September 5 and Wednesday, September 6: MG Project Topics/ Openers
- Thursday, September 7 and Friday, September 8: 1st Genre Piece Due (10 pts)
- Monday, September 11 and Tuesday, September 12: Prose Genre Piece Due (10 pts)
- Wednesday, September 13 and Thursday, September 14: Poetry Genre Piece Due (10 pts)
- Friday, September 15 and Monday, September 18: Dialogue Genre Piece Due (10 pts)

- Monday, October 2 and Tuesday, October 3: FINAL DRAFT OF MULTIGENRE PAPER DUE (40 pts)

You are responsible for submitting a hard copy to the class basket and an electronic copy to the teacher share folder (MG projects)

Rubric for Multi-Genre Project

40 Total points Possible

	Exceeds Expectations (8 pts)	Meets Expectations (5pts)	Needs Improvement (3pts)
Genres	Goes above and beyond using many genres (Poem, Prose, Expository, dialogue, and optional genres) to create a fully realized project	Project uses at least six genres. Poem, Prose, Expository, dialogue, and two optional genres	Project does not contain at least six genres (Poem, Prose, Expository, dialogue, and two optional genres)
Visual Element	Project contains 3 visual elements (one original) that exceed expectations	Has 2 visual elements that enhance the project	Project contains no visual element
Dear Reader Letter	Project contains an opening piece that fully introduces the reader to the topic	Project contains an opening piece that adequately introduces the topic	Project does not contain an opening piece that adequately introduce the topic
End Notes	The project's end notes are thorough and they explain why the author including each genre piece.	Project contains an end note for each genre piece.	Project does not include end notes for each genre piece.
Unity/ Overall Work	The project is typed and nicely presented. Project pieces are unified through theme, repeating images, and language.	The project is typed and nicely presented and contains a sense of unity.	The project is typed and nicely presented. Project does not achieve a sense of unity

You are also going to be graded on how well you use class time to work on your project.

