

Name: _____

Period: _____

Short Story Project

Members of your group:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Story to be presented: _____

Date of presentation: _____

The Assignment:

Each group of students will prepare and present for the class, a three-act play presenting the short story they have been assigned. Each play will have a narrator who may step into and out of the action, but that is not a requirement. You must keep the general themes the same but may change the settings, characters, etc.

Group Responsibilities:

1. Decide how the story will be told and what three scenes will be acted out.
2. Assemble costumes and props for each scene.
3. Decide which student in the group will do each individual assignment.
4. Assign parts in the play to individual students.
5. Practice the play for presentation.

Individual Responsibilities:

Assign each of the students in your group ONE of the following:

1. A written script for **Scene I** of your play, including the narrator's part and stage directions.
2. A written script for **Scene II** of your play, including the narrator's part and stage directions.
3. A written script for **Scene III** of your play, including the narrator's part and stage directions.
4. A Playbill program for your play including a cover which gives the play title, acting troupe name, location, date, and time; a synopsis of the story; a program of the scenes with the names of the characters and actors; a biography of each actor; advertising, and any other appropriate information.
5. A poster advertising the play and giving its location, actors, and other information. Also, a newspaper article to be run in a newspaper before the play's opening, which will give all the details about the play.

Learn your part and have your costumes ready.

Grading:

Each student will receive:

1. A grade based upon his/her individual assignment.
2. A grade for the group's presentation and his/her performance in it.

Steps to Follow:**I. Make Decisions**

1. How will you present the story?
2. What will your scenes be about?
3. Who will do the individual assignments?
4. Who will the characters be in your play and who will play their roles?
5. What will the costumes be?
6. What will the props be?

II. Write

1. Divide up the story and write the scenes.

III. Practice

1. Practice your play using good acting techniques.

Rough draft of your assignment due: _____

Final draft due: _____

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Scale

10- Excellent

8- Good

7- Fair

5- Poor

0- Not Done

Presentation

Performance:

Voice (loud, clear, projected) _____

Expression in voice and gestures _____

Preparation:

Knowledge of lines _____

Timing of lines _____

Costumes and props _____

Individual Written Assignment

Following of directions _____

Creativity _____

**Appropriateness for purpose
and audience** _____

Spelling and mechanics _____

Length/effect _____

Total _____