

# Become a Character



Due: Wednesday, October 26

For your first book project, you may choose a book from any genre of fiction. After you have read the book, think about the main characters. Which one is the most interesting to you?

**PART ONE:** You will come to class dressed as a character from your book and will give a short oral presentation in which you will "become" that character. You will (1) introduce yourself to your class, telling who you are, (2) where you live, and (3) the main conflict or obstacle you had to face from a first person perspective. You should use the true voice of the character and allow the character's personality to show. You may use a 4x6 index card for notes.

**Please note:** It is NOT necessary to purchase any items for your costume unless you want to. You may bring in small props from home. **Be creative** in your choice of character, your clothing, and the way you present yourself to your class. No masks permitted and please be sure that clothing meets the requirements of the school dress code.

**PART TWO:** You will complete the attached handout based on your book, which includes application of narrative structure discussed in class. This must be typed into this English classroom document.

You will be graded on both the oral presentation and the written component.

## Quarter 1 Book Project

Book Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Character: \_\_\_\_\_

### Rubric

#### ORAL PRESENTATION

<input type="checkbox"/>	Uses EYE CONTACT and projects VOICE.	_____/10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Use 1 <sup>st</sup> person point of view to introduce the character using the character's voice to discuss where the character lives (setting) and the main obstacle the character must overcome (conflict).	_____/40

#### WRITTEN FORMAT

<input type="checkbox"/>	FORMAT: Use proper paragraph format with little to no errors with CUPS.	_____/10
<input type="checkbox"/>	CONTENT: Provides characterization evidence, conflict information, and what leads to the resolution.	_____/40

Overall Score \_\_\_\_\_/100

A    B    C    D    F

**Character:** Write one paragraph about the character you chose. Include basic information about the character as well as physical traits and character traits.

**Conflict:** Write one paragraph about the main conflict the character faces in the book. Identify the type of conflict, and explain it in detail.

**Resolution:** Explain how the main conflict is solved for this character. (Note: This is information that should not be shared in your oral presentation.)