10-minute Play Scriptwriting Unit Project—Creative Writing

Your Goal: Write a 10-minute play.

Requirements:

- 10 pages in length (on average, one page = one minute on stage)
- Standard script format
- Typed, 12-pt. font
- No more than four characters in script
- School appropriate storyline—overall storyline idea is up to you
- Submit completed script to turnitin.com

Important Dates:

Work Sessions: _____

Script Submission Date: _____

Rubric on back of paper

Scriptwriting Rubric:

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The story is very	The plot is well	The plot is a little	Ideas and scenes	Little to no cohesion
well organized.	organised. One idea	hard to follow.	seem to be randomly	of story from one
One idea follows	or scene may seem	The transitions are	arranged.	point to another.
another in a logical	out of place. Clear	sometimes not		
sequence with	transitions are used.	clear.		
clear transitions.				
Thorough thought	Stage directions are	Stage directions	Stage directions are	There are no stage
and understanding	appropriate. Proper	are present, but	present, but more	directions detailed.
are demonstrated	scripts format has	more could have	could have been	Little to no
regarding stage	been utilized,	been used for	used for clarity.	consideration of
directions and	demonstrating a good	clarity. Limited	Frequent mistakes in	script format
script format	general	mistakes in script	the script format.	
	understanding.	format.		
The main	The main characters	The main	The main characters	It is hard to tell who
characters (2-4) are	(2-4) are named and	characters are	are named.	the main characters
named and clearly	described. Dialogue	named. Dialogue	Dialogue and stage	are, or there is no
described.	and stage directions	and stage	directions do not	development to the
Dialogue and stage	somewhat expand	directions have	help in character	characters.
directions expand	character	limited expansion	development.	
character	development.	of character		
development.		development.		
It is always clear	It is clear which	It is usually clear	Some confusion as	Hard to follow which
which character is	character is speaking.	which character is	to which character is	character is
speaking. Dialogue	Dialogue is	speaking.	speaking. Dialogue	speaking. Minimal
is well developed	acceptable but could	Dialogue is choppy	is not realistic	effort is put into
and varied	be more varied in	and not well	sounding.	conversations.
	structure.	developed.		
There are no	There are few	.There are few	There are many	Grammar, spelling,
grammar,	grammar, spelling,	grammar, spelling,	grammar, spelling,	capitalisation, or
capitalisation,	capitalisation, or	or capitalisation, or	capitalisation, or	punctuation errors
spelling, or	punctuation errors in	punctuation errors	punctuation errors	are so common that
punctuation errors	the final draft.	that have a limited	that begin to affect	understanding is
in the final draft.		effect on	understanding	affected often.
		understanding.		