

Assignment: Write a children's book on one of the topics covered in this class. Things to consider:

The book should be written for young grade-school children. (Kindergarten to 4<sup>th</sup> grade.)

It should have a story.

It should be based on and properly explain a topic covered in this course.

Any advanced terminology should be explained in simplified form.

It should include images. (Doodled drawings are fine.)

Depending on writing style and pictures, a book should be at least 15 pages.

**Due a week before the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Advanced</b>		<b>Proficient</b>		<b>Emerging</b>
<b>Story</b>	There is a clear story that captivates the reader. It leads them from an introduction, to a conclusion through a story.		There is a story that is not too easily followed without any point.		There is no story. This is just a collection of pages.
<b>Science Content</b>	Book properly explains a scientific topic covered in class for a high level of understanding.		The writer discusses a topic but fails to fully explain it.		The writer only brings up topics or terms without going into any explanation of any of them.
<b>Ideas &amp; Content</b>	The writer uses and explains terms and ideas at a proper level for children to understand. The content is age appropriate.		The writer's explanation of the topic is difficult for children to understand. The writer makes only slight attempts to explain the material for easier understanding.		While attempting to explain, the information is too difficult and not presented at the appropriate level for early grade school.
<b>Mechanics</b>	No mistakes in spelling, grammar, or punctuation.		A few minor mistakes that do not interfere with the reader's ability to comprehend the writer's ideas.		Many minor mistakes. Mechanics make the writing somewhat difficult to understand or read.
<b>Pictures</b>	The book includes pictures that enhance the reading to create a better understanding and are engaging.		The book includes pictures that may or may not follow with the story.		The book includes pictures that do not follow the story and create confusion.

Comments:

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_