

# Romeo and Juliet

## Multi-Genre Project

A multi-genre project is composed of many genres and subgenres, each piece is self-contained, making a point of its own, yet connected by the same topic or theme, in our case we will be focusing on Romeo and Juliet.

Each genre must **reference specific characters, events/scenes**, and at least two quotes staying true to the text. You may put quotes in modern English but you want to be sure to include two for each genre.

Requirements:

1. **A Cover**- This should be creative, you want to grab someone's attention. Must relate to *Romeo and Juliet*.
2. **Table of Contents**- Include page number and what genre is on that page.
3. **Genres**- I am requiring you to do **five genres**. I have chosen three for you and you are allowed to choose two of your own. Each genre and expectations will be explained on the next page.
4. You must include **three images** or symbols that are on their own separate page; it should cover most of the page. These will act as a visual break between your genres. They should be creative and connected to the play. Artistic ability will not be graded but effort will (meaning they better be colored!)
5. **Professionalism of Presentation**- Project should be neat, polished and of a professional quality. Creativity is employed to further accent project.
6. **Commands of Conventions of Standard English**- Grammar, mechanics, spelling, capitalization and word choice are polished without error.

## This is due: February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017

We will have computers January 23<sup>rd</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup>. On these days you will have the entire hour to work on your project, there is no reason why you shouldn't be finished by the due date.

**Helpful hint-Use your time wisely, we will be working on one of the required genres each day and Thursday and Friday you will have time to work on your chosen genres.**

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## Multi-Genre Rubric:

✓ **Cover** \_\_\_\_\_/10

Should be creative. Must have your name and relate to Romeo and Juliet.

✓ **Table of Contents** \_\_\_\_\_/5

Must include page numbers and genre.

✓ **Genre 1: Newspaper** \_\_\_\_\_/20

Must be in 3<sup>rd</sup> Person Objective

Must take on a journalistic tone

Must summarize a scene of the play including characters, setting, and two quotes.

✓ **Genre 2: Journal** \_\_\_\_\_/20

Must be in 1<sup>st</sup> Person

Must summarize a scene including characters thoughts and feelings.

Must include specific incidents from the play

One page: 1 Day/2 Days/3 Days

2 Quotes

✓ **Genre 3: Poem** \_\_\_\_\_/20

12 Lines

Must have evident references to *Romeo and Juliet*

✓ **Genre 4:** \_\_\_\_\_/20

✓ **Genre 5:** \_\_\_\_\_/20

✓ **Three Images** 5 Each \_\_\_\_\_/15

✓ **Mechanics** \_\_\_\_\_/10

Grammar, mechanics, spelling, capitalization and word choice are polished without error.

✓ **Professionalism** \_\_\_\_\_/10

Project is neat, polished and of a professional quality. Creativity is employed to further accent project.

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_/150

Notes:

## GRADEING SCALE:

A= 150-135 Points

B= 134-120 Points

C= 119-105 Points

D= 104-90 Points

E= 89-0Points

TOTAL: 150 POINTS

MUST BE 14 FONT

IF HAND WRITTEN  
MUST BE NEATLY  
WRITTEN

Must have color

Due:  
**Friday,**  
**February 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**2017**

# Genres Explained

Each genre must **reference specific characters, events/scenes**, and **at least two quotes** staying true to *Romeo and Juliet*. You may put quotes in modern English but you want to be sure to include two for each genre.

## Required:

### Newspaper:

This should look and read like a newspaper article. You should have a newspaper header (make up your newspaper's name), a title for the article and who it is by. In this article you should take on a journalistic tone, you should write in 3<sup>rd</sup> person objective. You're telling the public about an incident that has happened in the play. The article should be in **at least two columns**; to better achieve the newspaper feel. Remember you are referencing events/ a scene from the book. You want to include quotes, which the "reporter" received from people at the scene.

### Journal Entry:

Write a journal/diary entry from the point of view of a character from the book, using 1<sup>st</sup> person pronouns. You should reference specific information from the novel and have your character explain their personal thoughts and feelings on what's going on in their life. You can use Shakespearean slang to make the character seem more authentic (you may not use text language or slang that is used today). You can do one day, two days, or three days. **No less than a page.**

### Poem:

Write a poem that references an event/characters and/or feelings expressed in the story. Again you're referencing the novel and this should be evident in the poem. This poem should **be no less than twelve lines**, you may do an I am Poem, a rhyming couplet (when every two lines rhyme together) or a free verse poem. You want to include figurative language such as similes, personification, hyperbole, onomatopoeia, metaphor, alliteration, etc. in at least two of your lines.

## Optional Items: Must choose two

### Soundtrack:

You're making a soundtrack for the play. You must choose **four songs** that you feel can be applied to four **different scenes**, whether it's through the events happening in the scene, and/or the characters in the scene. You **must write a paragraph for each song** including the songs title and artist, summarize the scene in which this song would fit, and why you feel this song relates to the play, characters, and or/scene. As an option, you may include a cover for your soundtrack.

### Comic Strip:

Choose a scene from *Romeo and Juliet* and make an **eight box visual** showing what is happening in the scene. Must include Act and Scene number. Characters should be obvious and should include some dialogue...may be in modern English. Must be colored; the more effort you put into this the better, I will not be grading artistic ability, but instead your ability to convey a scene.

### Eulogy:

Choose a character who has died from *Romeo and Juliet* and eulogize them. A eulogy is a tribute to someone who has died by honoring or praising them. This should be from the point of view from a character who cared about the person who has died (ex. Romeo writing a eulogy for Mercutio). You want to reference who the character was, their good qualities, what they meant to the character giving the eulogy, and how they will be missed. Remember to reference specific examples from *Romeo and Juliet*. **Half page or more.**

#### **Letter:**

Write a letter from the point of view of a character in the play to another character in the play. Must be in 1<sup>st</sup> person point of view. You should start by saying, "Dear..." In this letter you must reference specific events and what is happening, along with referencing characters from the book. This should read like a friend writing to another friend, so it can be informal. You may use Elizabethan slang. **Half a page or longer.**

#### **Character Map:**

You may create a visual character map showing the important characters from the play. You want to include the following characters: Lord Capulet, Lady Capulet, Tybalt, Juliet, The Nurse, Lord Montague, Lady Montague, Romeo, Benvolio, Prince, Paris, Mercutio, and Friar Laurence. Each character should have a symbol or character drawing with a small reference to who they are and their importance. You want to make sure they are divided by family but also how they are connected.

#### **Dialogue:**

Create a text message dialogue between two characters in the book. Their dialogues should stay true to their character and should have them discussing an event/scene that is happening in the play. You may include text language and Elizabethan slang. Must be **no less than two pages** especially since dialogue should go back and forth and shouldn't be very long. Think of how your text boxes look in your own text messages and let that be your model.

#### **Editorial:**

An editorial is a piece of writing that expresses an opinion about a current event or issue. The purpose of an editorial is to persuade, and point out the hypocrisy or benefits of a given issue. Write an editorial based off something that happens in the play (the suicides of Romeo and Juliet) and give your opinion about how this made you feel, why you agree/disagree with this topic. Show evidence and give examples to why you think a certain way, and why those who disagree with you maybe/are wrong.  
Length Requirement **3/4 –One Page**

#### ***ABC's of The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet***

Write the ABC's of *Romeo and Juliet*. You must think of a word (either a character, theme, place, etc.) that begins with each letter of the alphabet, and provide some information about that word. Picture, quote, definition. For example: "R is for Romeo" you may want to include a picture of him, a brief description (2-3 Sentences) and/or a memorable quote from him. You must have **at least 24 letters** (I'm allowing you to skip two letters in case you get stuck).

#### **Board Game:**

Create a board game based upon the characters, themes, settings, and events of *Romeo and Juliet*. You will need to include the rules and all pieces necessary to play the game. Your game should be artistic, and the entire board should be covered. In addition, you will need a box to hold all the game pieces and equipment. **This is the only assignment where you may work with a partner. This can be someone in class or in any of my other English 9 classes.** You only have to have one board game however you will need to tell me who did what.