

Apocalypse

Developing New Worlds

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Final Project Outline

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Minimum Word Count is 2000 words (excluding cover page and references).

Project is 25% of overall grade

Project should resemble a book. Begin each section on a new page.

1) Cover sheet –

Include story title (if you have one), student name, class, school, date, and instructor name

2) Story Premise – What are the very basics we need to know about this story? Sell it! Make me interested in your story!

50-100 words MAX

After a devastating storm that wreaked havoc on the small towns of Roscoe, Rockton, and South Beloit Illinois 3 friends must survive the apocalypse brought on by the storm. Leila, Fiora, Deedra, all have developed powers from their soul essence and use their new-found powers to save and protect each other and their loved ones. Finding that an Earth Nymph is what brought the storm to avenge the Earth they live on the five girls must band together to end the Nymph's wrath and prove that humankind can change their ways.

3) Historical Background Information or Timeline –

What has happened prior or what is important to know going into the story?

250 Words minimum

Before the storm, Roscoe, Rockton, and South Beloit Illinois were all just small towns that nothing ever really happened in. Sure, petty crime every now and again but never anything that made the national news. There were two high schools for the three towns and multiple elementary and middle schools. Everything was quiet and quaint. The town just had their November midterm elections and that was the most excitement anyone ever got. Crime was so low in fact that police would just sit on the side of roads to catch someone speeding but even that was a rare scene.

The three little towns were so close to the Wisconsin boarder that they had a paper called "State line news" it was a free paper that had small events going on around the towns and some coupons. Most of the time the people from the towns would support eachothers buisnesses and visit their festivals.

Nothing ever happened there, the three towns were always quiet little tourist towns. Sleeper towns they were called, most people would just come to sleep after working in Chicago or the larger cities. If you wanted true excitement you would

travel out of the towns, not to them. They were for the elderly, and pit stops for family road trips. This would all change though, in the blink of the eye a storm would wreak havoc on the tiny little towns that nothing ever really happened in.

4) Main Character(s)

Provide a character biography and description for the protagonist. This would be a good time to review that Character Planning Sheet! Include image if one is available/applicable – see the notes at the bottom of the outline. An image increases engagement, interest, and encourages visualization of your story elements.

350 words minimum

Leila Barker, born May 23, 1992, was a laid back 26 year old. She had depression and anxiety which was such a normaly thing to have now a days that it didn't seem abnormal to have it. She was 5'4" and weighed in at 130 pounds and loved to work out as a way to combat her mental illness. She loved her family and her friends so much that they were a peaceful distraction most days. Her hazel eyes paired nicely with her brown hair and pale skin. She always hated her large nose though, if she could change anything it would be her nose. She thought it was a bulbess distraction that ruined any chances she would have at getting a significant other.

Leila loved to curse and used the word "Fuck" like it were a punctuation mark. She lived with her mother, sister, and nephew in Roscoe, middle class family, living in a small ranch house with a white picket fence in the front yard. She had one previous lover in her life who screwed her over, Leila made the mistake of moving in with him and he had stolen money from her and consistently cheated. After their break up she turned to her two best friends who she called her "Forever friends."

Her best friends were Fiora, Deedra, they always had her back no matter what. They were all so close that they called each other sisters at heart. They would do everything together, from drink tea at Fiora's house to attend Anime conventions. Leila called Fiora and Deedra's kids her nieces and nephews. Every other weekend She would go to Fiora's house to have a family game or movie night. She loved spending time with them and nothing meant more to her then their loyalty and compassion for her.

This is why it hurt Leila so badly when the storm appeared in the stateline towns and destroyed everything they held dear. Leila felt a desperate need to find them all and did just that.

5) Supporting Characters

Biographies and descriptions for supporting characters. Very flexible, completely dependent on the number of important supporting characters in your story. 3 supporting character minimum. Include images if possible.

100 words minimum for each character.

Fiora Hunter, born May 19,1990, was an eclectic witch who loved to collect stones and herbs. Her eyes were mixed of gray and green which made them look storm gray, she never kept her hair the same color or length for longer than a few months. She was a mother to a beautiful little girl and the wife to a loving husband. Nothing in this world meant more to her than her family. Leila and Fiora first met in their high school geometry class and hit it off right away. Fiora always thought of Leila as her sister and considered her family from the start. They were very close and nothing could keep them from each other.

Deedra Grisham, born August 17,1993, had chocolate brown hair, and hazel eyes. She had two kids one boy and one girl, her husband just joined the armed forces and was away for three months. Nothing pleased her more than her nice clean house and a good book to read. She would meet at Fiora's house with Leila to drink tea and talk about their lives. Fiora introduced Leila and Deedra to each other and they all stuck together like glue. There was nothing in this world that could put a wedge through them. They were so close people thought they were actually sisters.

6) Locations –

Provide a description of three major locations in your world. Include images if possible.

100 words minimum each location.

Roscoe, Illinois, population of 10505, also known as the village of Roscoe. This is the town that Leila lives in and is about 9 miles away from the town of South Beloit and 8 miles away from Rockton. If you drove through the town and blinked you'd miss it the only interesting thing that happens in this town is the fall festival once a year. They had two fast food restaurants and a handful of sit in diners and one grocery store. This town is so small they don't have a highschool they only have an elementary school and a middle school.

Rockton, Illinois, population 7473, this town has more to show for its small population. Their main street was lined with shops and pubs that you could always find something to do there. The high school for Roscoe was here as well as Rockton's personal elementary and middle schools. This little town had two festivals every year and had quite a few famous musicians play on their main stages. Rockton takes pride in how their town looks and act. Word of mouth is faster than a phone call in this town. Everyone knows everyone and everything. There is no judgment though in this town it is a very kind place to be. This is why Deedra lives here.

South Beloit, population 7673, this town has less to do and it is more of a sleeper town than the other two, most of the train tracks go through this town and majority or the farmers live here. In fact this is the town that Fiora lives in. She lives on the outskirts on her own little plot of land. Many of the corn and soy fields are in South Beloit. It is quiet here and the towns people keep to themselves here. Most of the people who live here travel to the towns around them to do their shopping and entertainment.

7) Additional World Information:

Additional information that is important for understanding your world setting. As each project is highly individual, the categories of information you choose to provide will be very specific to your project. This would be a good time to review that World Building Planning Sheet!

Some categories could include religion, language, races, social structures, technology, magic, or other.
250 words minimum.

Magic was never anything anyone would believe to be true in these three small towns. They thought it to be nothing but a fairy tale or figment of a small child's imagination. Up until the Earth Nymph created a superstorm that would knock out every last bit of electricity and contact with the outside world. This storm effected the whole world but this story is mainly about the way Leila and her friends helped to make the world a little bit better.

8) Story Synopsis –

A brief synopsis of your story. It should provide a description of the complete storyline. Don't worry about spoilers.
250 words (try not to go over).

A devastating storm wreaked havoc on the small towns of Roscoe, Rockton, and South Beloit Illinois. Three friends must survive the apocalypse brought on by the storm. Leila, Fiora, and Deedra, all have developed powers from their soul essence caused by different events during the storm. Leila, becomes a vampire and is forced to feed off of her family members to survive. Fiora mourns the supposed loss of her husband and child developing magical abilities that save her from her home collapsing on to her. Deedra, developed a trait from the tribe of Winnebago and becomes a skin walker. They come together to use their new-found powers to save and protect each other. Finding that an Earth Nymph is what brought the storm to avenge the Earth they live on the three girls must band together to end the Nymph's wrath and prove that humankind can change their ways. Fighting against the creatures the Nymph sends to them Deedra and Fiora die in the attempt to protect Leila from the burning sun light. Causing the Nymph to see the sacrifice the two friends made for a creature the Nymph helped create. The Nymph felt sympathy and ended her wrath healing the Earth and Leila.

9) Story Excerpt –

Give the reader a taste of your story. Some possible strategies: a simple scene, short chapter, script, or excerpt. Take us into your world so we can see how all the pieces fit.

IMPORTANT – You may have the option to build upon what you submit here in your Portfolio II class. If you plan on continuing with this project, take advantage of this and present a solid piece of writing that you can work with!

250 words minimum.

Leila fell and sobbing into her nephew's lifeless body.

"Why would you make me do this!" Leila screamed.

Laughter came from the shadows. "Because, youngling, I am to show you what you do to this world."

"I don't understand, you told me to choose who lived! I chose him because he was young! Why!"

"I said nothing of who would live, I told you to choose who died. You assumed I would allow the other to live."

Leila sobbed, she hadn't wished for this to happen. She hated this creature, whatever it was. It called itself a vampire, but those don't exist. Or did they and she was just oblivious to this fact. She stood up she could see everything in the shadows like a lamp was. She could even see the vile beast that turned her into a hideous creature.

"I will kill you!"

The vampire smirked and walked towards Leila. He reached out and stroked her face while he whispered, "Good luck trying my swe—"

Before he could even finish his snide comment, Leila punched through his chest. She didn't think something she had seen in movies and cheesy vampire slayer shows would actually work. His heart lay in her hands, she gripped it and pulled her hand back. The vampire's body slumped lifelessly at her feet.

"I don't need luck," she said as she bit into the vampire's heart like an apple and then tossing it behind her.

She walked away from this feeling like a different person, but there were two things she needed to do. The storm sent the crazies out. Her friends were in danger, and she had to find them.

10) References –

Collect all of the references from the research assignments. Create a list of those that will be used for your work, and place them on a references page. Also cite any new material and any images used (including images you create).

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See Owl at Purdue for formatting help:

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/>

You may also find this site very useful:

<http://citationmachine.net/index2.php>

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