

Grade 9 Creative Writing Portfolio

Due: _____

Creative writing helps improve our mastery of the English language; being able to properly convey the exact idea we want means ensuring we use the right words. Too often today people use very powerful words in the wrong way or use a word that means one thing while thinking it means another. A good creative writer is able to vividly paint a picture with their words so that the reader can almost see, in their mind, what is actually happening (like seeing it on screen). You are going to engage in several creative writing activities and will compile your own collection that you will keep in a portfolio of your own making (for you artsy fartsy folk, have at it) and while the “glitziness” of it doesn’t effect your overall grade, it must be well organized. Your final submission MUST have:

- a) Title page
- b) Table of contents
- c) Section for all rough drafts. These are partially to fully finished works.
- d) Section with your best selection of poems (4-5 using the literary devices taught in class and 3-5 that are a variation of haikus, sonnets, found poems, blackout poems, and odes).
- e) Choose one of the short stories we’ve read in class and rewrite it, either giving it an alternate ending OR from the perspective of a different character. Your short story must be between 3 – 5 pages typed, double spaced, and in a size 12 font comparable to Times New Roman.

This project will assess your communication and application skills, be marked out of 60 and graded using the following rubric.