## Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to give you an opportunity to show your creativity by exploring and teaching an area of science to a younger person.

It may be necessary for you to spend some time researching and studying the process or area of science you want to write about. It is important <u>not</u> to include any fact or information that is incorrect. In choosing your topic or area, select something that you find interesting. It is hard to be excited about an area that you personally find dull. REMEMBER THAT THIS SHOULD BE A FUN PROJECT FOR YOU AND YOUR READERS.

## Criteria for you book that you will be graded on:

- You book must be on a science topic learned about this year and is presented in STORY FORM.
- The cover should be colorful, attractive and related to your topic. You may cover your book with contact paper, wallpaper, fabric... Be creative.
- Your book must have a title page that includes the name of the author/illustrator and title.
- Text should be written on a level appropriate for an elementary student (grades 3-5)
- The text must contain a minimum of 6 pages (front and back); 12 pages total. Do not include pages that do not contain text of the story, such as the title page, in your page count. Text pages must be at least ½ text to count as one page (you can count partial pages together to make one page).
- Check your spelling and your grammar.
- All text must be computer printed, use no larger than 12 point font and single spaced. The following fonts meet the requirement: Arial narrow, Calibiri, Corbel, and Tahoma.
- A minimum of 8 hand-drawn illustrations must be included in your book. The illustrations should be colorful. These illustrations CANNOT be computer generated or clip art. All other illustrations included may be of any format/origin.
- At the end of the book you must include a resource lists which include at least two resources where you did your research to gather the information to write the book.
  - Resources on your list should include the title of the book and author or the website visited, the URL and the author of the website.

## Time Frame:

You will have one month to complete this project. The first 3 weeks will be outside of class. I will be providing time to work on this project in class. You will be provided 4 days to put the finishing touches on the book, May  $13^{th} - 17^{th}$ . You are encouraged to bring in supplies for decorating if needed. Your book is due at the end of class on May  $17^{th}$ .

## **Presentations:**

All books will be presented to the class. You will be reading your book to the class as your presentation. Presenters should read in a loud, clear voice; show the pictures to the audience and use excitement/tone when reading. Presentations will be in class on May 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.