

Author Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Historical Fiction Rubric

Criteria	4	3	2	1
<b>Genre Characteristics</b> _____	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adds human interest to historical content.</li> <li>- There are emotions or situations depicted in the story that we can relate to as human beings.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mentions some historical content in passing.</li> <li>- There is an emotion or situation depicted in the story that we can relate to as human beings.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lists historical facts.</li> <li>- The story depicts emotions or situations in a manner that others cannot really relate to.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Does not include any reference to history.</li> <li>- The story does not include any reference to human emotion or situations.</li> </ul>
<b>Story Development</b> _____	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develops main characters through description of actions, appearances, feelings, or dialogue.</li> <li>- Valid main conflict that drives the story.</li> <li>- Developed plot with a beginning, a buildup, a climax, and satisfying ending.</li> <li>- All of the text works towards depicting a theme.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Briefly describes the main characters' actions, appearances, and feelings. Little or no dialogue.</li> <li>- Main conflict is evident.</li> <li>- Plot with a complete beginning, middle and satisfying end.</li> <li>- All of the text works towards depicting a theme.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mentions some of the characters' traits, but does not develop them through characterization.</li> <li>- Main conflict is weak.</li> <li>- Plot with a beginning, middle and end.</li> <li>- Most of the text works towards depicting a theme.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Characters are not really believable.</li> <li>- No main conflict to drive the action of the story.</li> <li>- Plot is missing some aspects.</li> <li>- Text is unrelated and/or does not depict a theme.</li> </ul>
<b>Word Choice</b> _____	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Evidence of much sophisticated and appropriate vocabulary used.</li> <li>- Diary format is used effectively and is historically accurate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Evidence of some sophisticated and appropriate vocabulary used.</li> <li>-Diary format is used effectively, but may not always be historically accurate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mostly basic vocabulary used. Attempts at using sophisticated vocabulary may be incorrect.</li> <li>- Diary format may not be used effectively</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basic vocabulary is used. No attempts to use sophisticated vocabulary.</li> <li>- - Diary format is not used effectively</li> </ul>
<b>Historical Content</b> _____	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There is ample evidence that the author researched historical facts in the time period.</li> <li>- The author naturally embeds accurate historical facts into the story.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There is evidence that the author researched historical facts in the time period.</li> <li>- Historical facts are accurate, but mentioned as after-thoughts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There is some evidence of historical research, though facts may be inaccurate.</li> <li>- Little or no historical facts are presented.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There is no evidence of research.</li> <li>- No historical facts are presented in any way.</li> </ul>
<b>Style</b> _____	<p>The writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presents unique information, ideas and viewpoints.</li> <li>- Keeps the reader continually interested.</li> <li>- Constantly demonstrates the author's personality and voice.</li> </ul>	<p>The writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Often presents unique information, ideas or viewpoints.</li> <li>- Keeps the reader interested.</li> <li>- Demonstrates the author's personality and voice.</li> </ul>	<p>The writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presents familiar information, ideas or viewpoints.</li> <li>- Contains gaps in keeping the reader interested.</li> <li>- Shows traces of the author's personality and voice</li> </ul>	<p>The writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presents typical information, ideas, or viewpoints.</li> <li>- Easily loses the reader's interest.</li> <li>- Little demonstration of the author's personality and voice</li> </ul>
<b>Mechanics</b> _____	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sentences are varied and complete.</li> <li>- Spelling is correct.</li> <li>- Subject-Verb agreement.</li> <li>- Verb tense is correct.</li> <li>- Paragraphs, Commas, and Capitalization are all correct.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sentences are all complete, though not varied.</li> <li>- Spelling is correct, though there may be a typo.</li> <li>- Subjects and Verbs do not always agree.</li> <li>-Verb tense is correct.</li> <li>- Paragraphs, Capitalization and Commas are used mostly correct.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Some sentence fragments or run-ons.</li> <li>- One or two spelling errors.</li> <li>- Subjects and Verbs do not always agree.</li> <li>- Verb tense changes throughout the narrative.</li> <li>- Errors in Paragraphs, Commas and/or Capitalization.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Many sentence fragments or run-ons.</li> <li>- Spelling errors.</li> <li>- Subjects and Verbs do not always agree.</li> <li>- Verb tense changes throughout the narrative.</li> <li>- Errors in Paragraphs, Commas and/or Capitalization.</li> </ul>

Points Subtotal: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Barbarian Group is clear +1 = \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Comments:

**historical fiction** /50

