

Author Name: _____

Historical Fiction Rubric

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 - Adds human interest to historical content.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 - Mentions some historical content in passing.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

Points Subtotal: _____
 Barbarian Group is clear +1 = _____

Additional Comments:

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