

# Fantasy Book Project – Board Game

**Due: Monday, December 7, 2009**

Your project will be to create a board game (that can be played by 6 players) that reflects the following elements of your fantasy book:

1. **TITLE & AUTHOR** – Put this information somewhere on the front of your game board.
2. **MAIN CHARACTER** – Include important information about the character’s personality, appearance, actions, and problems he/she encountered in the story.
3. **SETTING & FANTASY ELEMENTS** – Give specific information as to when and where the story takes place. Be sure to include the important “fantasy” elements – the world, the animals, the creatures, the items, the magical powers and so on.
4. **PLOT** – Tell about the important events that took place in the story.

## **Making the Board Game:**

1. Make a sketch or a rough draft first. Have an adult look it over with you.
2. Play or test the game and change it as necessary. Make sure the game is not too easy nor too complicated. This is a VERY IMPORTANT step. With four people playing, it should last at least ten minutes.
3. Prepare a final version of the game using poster board, markers, crayons, or colored pencils. Make games pieces as needed.
4. Include directions for the players.
5. Create a name for your game. Put your name and the game’s name somewhere on the front of the game board.

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## Other Instructions:

We will be playing your game in class. Be sure that this project reflects your *best effort*. It is important that your writing is in *final draft form*. Check ahead of time for any spelling or mechanical/grammatical errors. The project should be neat, detailed, creative, and colorful. *Make sure that your game is related to events that happen in your book!* By the end of the game, anyone playing should know all about the story. .

A calendar is attached if you want help planning a reading schedule. You should try to have your book finished by the end of November, which would give you almost two weeks to work on the game. Please make sure to ask me questions or get help from someone at home if there is something you do not understand or are unsure about.

Many people in the past have based their board game on games that they like – such as Monopoly, Sorry, Clue, Candyland, Chutes and Ladders, Life and others. It's OK to use a design or plan that a real game uses. You just need to make sure you turn it into your own game, by using the different elements of your book (characters, plot, setting, and more).

The size of the game is up to you. Most people use the normal size of poster board, but a smaller game can definitely work, too.

I will try to show some examples in class, so that you can get some good ideas of the different ways people have created games. Some people have put the book's information into the spaces on the game board, some people have put it onto cards that you pick up as you play, and some people have come up with other ideas. Please be sure to ask for help **WHENEVER** you are unsure of something!

# Fantasy Board Game - Rubric

The chart below shows how I evaluated your board game.

**NAME:**

**BOOK:**

BOOK'S TITLE AND AUTHOR SOMEWHERE ON THE FRONT OF THE GAME	
NAME FOR THE BOARD GAME & YOUR NAME SOMEWHERE ON THE FRONT OF THE BOARD	
DIRECTIONS FOR THE GAME ARE INCLUDED	
PROJECT TURNED IN ON TIME	
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT MAIN CHARACTER IS INCORPORATED INTO THE GAME	
SETTING OF THE STORY & FANTASY ELEMENTS ARE MADE PART OF THE GAME	
PLOT OF THE STORY IS MADE A PART OF THE GAME (THE ACTUAL POINT OF THE GAME ITSELF SHOULD BE BASED ON THE BOOK'S PLOT!)	
FINAL VERSION OF GAME BOARD (COLORFUL, CREATIVE, NEAT, NO SPELLING OR GRAMMAR ERRORS)	

**COMMENTS:**

## Fantasy Board Game Project – Reading Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<i>October 26</i>	27	28	29	30	31
	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____
22	23	24	25	26	27	<i>November 28</i>
Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Pages: _____ to _____	Try to finish by now and start working on your board!

You may definitely start working on the board game AS SOON AS you finish reading your book.  
 You don't have to wait until the last week! Game board is due on Monday, December 7, 2009.