**Creative Writing PBL (project based learning)**

During the first two units, I assessed your ability to apply the 6+1 writing traits in your own pieces. For our next unit, however, I decided to create a highly individualized and differentiated plan. **You** will “choose your own adventure”, so to speak. You will want to factor in whether you want to work individually, with a partner or with a group, as well as the format that you are interested in using to express your knowledge.

*What do I include in my proposal?* You must explain to me your idea for your project(s), whether you will be working with others or by yourself, and demonstrate what writing skills will be highlighted through your project. If I feel that you have an appropriate idea for a project, I will approve your proposal. If I feel there is something missing, I will give you suggestions for improvement. Your proposal should be completed in good copy before being handed in.

*Need ideas? Here are some possible project options:*

* **Short Film – work with a group to create a short film. You may write an original script together or adapt a piece of student work into a film.**
* **Photo Essay – create a photo essay on a topic of your choice (fiction, non-fiction, or personal narrative). An interesting idea would be to turn a piece of your own writing into a photo essay. You could use PhotoStory, iMovie, or MovieMaker to publish your product.**
* **You be the teacher – work with a group to create a writing lesson to present to the class. Or create a series of video mini-lessons on writing that can be taught to a grade three class (in conjunction with Mr. Cabel’s grade three class at NSEE).**
* **Radio Play – use audacity or similar software to create an audio version of one of your stories (this can be done individually or in groups).**
* **Children’s Book – put your art skills to the test and create an illustrated children’s book.**
* **The Photo Journal –** For this project, you take a photo of each hour of your waking life and compile them with short descriptions.  The final project can be published in a variety of ways: paper, PowerPoint, Smart Notebook, Photo Story, iMovie, MovieMaker, etc.
* **Topic of your choice**

***Creative Writing PBL* Proposal Form**

**Summary explanation of your project idea(s) – attach a sheet if you need more room:**

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**What resources will you need for your project(s)? (ex: video camera, drawing paper, movie maker, adobe photoshop, etc.)**

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**What audience will you use other than the teacher, to help you during the creation process?**

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**Indicate if you will be working alone or with a group. List group members.**

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