

Nonfiction

E-mail a Friend

In this project, you will write an e-mail message to a friend who might enjoy the nonfiction book you just finished. First, put yourself in your friend's shoes and think of the questions he or she might ask you about the book. Then, you'll write an e-mail message answering those questions and persuading your friend to read the book.

DUE DATES
Book Approved
Book Finished
Rough Draft Due
Project Due

Materials:

1. lined paper

Directions:

1. Find a nonfiction book that interests you and is at an appropriate reading level for you. Have your book approved by your teacher.

Book Title: _____
Author: _____

2. Think of a friend (or relative) who might enjoy the book you just read. What might this friend want to know about the book before he or she reads it? What might your friend want to know about the writing style, plot, characters, story, and so on? Write an e-mail message to yourself from your friend, asking you about the book. Include at least four thoughtful questions. Pass in a copy of your questions to your teacher. (You do not have to send an actual e-mail. You can simply write it on paper.) Write the following information at the top of the page and fill it in:

To: _____

From: _____

Date sent: _____

Subject: _____

Message: _____

3. Before you write back to your friend, organize your thoughts. Write a rough draft responding to your friend's questions and providing any other reasons that your friend would enjoy the book. Include specifics, but don't give away the ending. Be sure to include the book title, author, and your name somewhere in the e-mail message.

4. Revise your rough draft and then write a final draft. Either print the actual e-mail or copy the following information on white lined paper in fill it in.

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