

Biography/Memoir

Presidential Poster

Imagine that the subject of your book has decided to run for president and has asked you to create a campaign poster. Look back through the book and think about whether or not the subject of the biography or memoir would make a good candidate for president. What qualities and characteristics would make this person a good leader? What leadership experience has this person had?

| DUE DATES |
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| Book Approved |
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| Book Finished |
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| Rough Draft Due |
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| Project Due |
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Materials:

1. poster-board or large sheet of construction paper
2. colored pencils
3. glue
4. scissors
5. colored construction paper
6. pictures of the person for reference

Directions:

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

Book Title: _____
Author: _____

2. As you read the book take notes about the subject of your book. List some adjectives that describe the person. Beside each adjective, write something the person did or said that shows that characteristic or quality.

3. Think about what experience the person has had that would prepare him or her for the role of president. List the experiences along with any reasons this would be good preparation for a president.

4. Think about what information you will include on the campaign poster. Write a rough draft in a style that is upbeat and persuasive. Include the following information:

- a. person's name in large letters
- b. hometown
- c. family
- d. education
- e. work experience

- f. personal characteristics
- g. what this person might accomplish as president
- h. a photo or drawing of the person

5. Sketch the design of the poster. Decide how you will fit all the information and what size it should be. Think about how you can make the poster colorful and attractive.



6. Now you are ready to make your poster. In pencil, transfer the information from your rough draft to poster board or a large sheet of construction paper. Color your poster and then draw a picture of the person (or attach a photo). Make sure to write the title and author of your book along with your name on the back of your poster.

7. Present your campaign poster to the class. Plan what you will say to try to convince your classmates to vote for your candidate.

8. After all of the posters have been presented, we will hold a class election.