

# Historical Fiction

## Story Quilt

Can you think of any objects that have special meaning to you? Do they remind you of a person or an important event? Now, think about the historical fiction book that you read. Were there any significant objects in the story? In literature, these objects are called symbols. They are symbolic of something important. For this project, you'll make a quilt that shows at least four symbols from the book.

DUE DATES
Book Approved
Book Finished
Rough Draft Due
Project Due

### Materials:

1. large square sheet of white construction paper (12" X 12")
2. colored pencils
3. ruler
4. scissors
5. wrapping paper (optional)

### Directions:

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

Book Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Measure and draw light pencil lines to divide the white paper into thirds across and lengthwise. This will create nine equal squares for your paper quilt.



3. Look through your book to help you remember objects that were important to the story. These objects should represent something significant, like a person or an event. List at least six of them below.

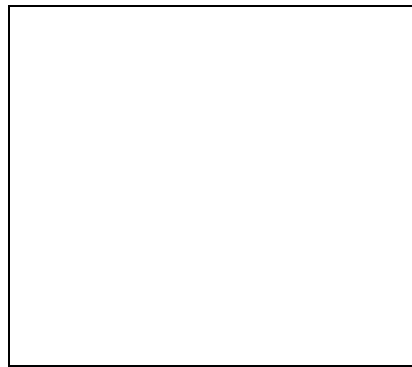
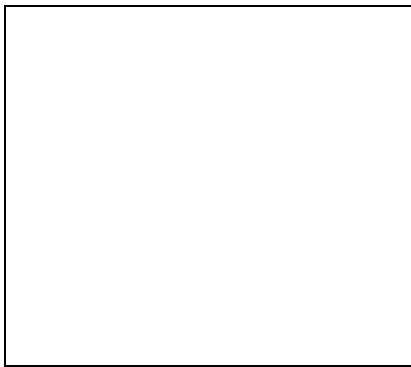
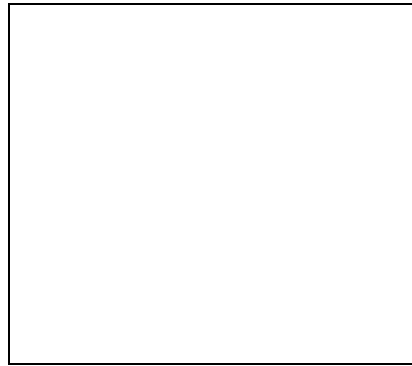
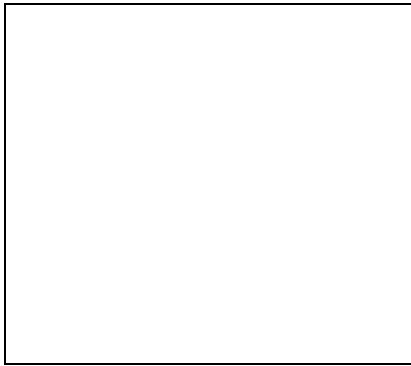
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4. Circle at least four objects from the list that you would like to include on your quilt. Sketch each object in a box below.



5. Write a few sentences for each object explaining why it is important. What does it symbolize or represent? Revise your sentences for fluency, word choice, and conventions.

6. Locate the four squares in the corners of your quilt. Draw one object in each square. Leave room in the same square to copy your sentences about the object. It is a good idea to draw and write in pencil first and then trace over it with pen. You can also print out your sentences from the computer and paste them on.

7. Write the title and author of your book and your name in the center square. Use any of the remaining squares to draw any other objects above the required four that you believe are important to include.

8. Cut wrapping paper into squares that are the same size as those on your quilt. Glue a wrapping paper square in any blank squares left on your quilt. If wrapping paper is unavailable, cut squares of colored paper and draw simple patterns or designs on them.