

**Black Death Journaling Project**

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Exceptional (4 points)</b>	<b>Satisfactory (3 points)</b>	<b>Developing (2 points)</b>	<b>Poor (1 point)</b>
<b>Creativity</b>	The student developed at least five journal entries with corresponding illustrations over their experiences. The experiences displayed within the journal entries are impeccably vivid and true to the time period.	The student developed three to four journal entries with corresponding illustrations over their experiences. The experiences displayed within the journal entries are true to the time period and are quite creative.	The student developed one to two journal entries with some corresponding illustrations over their experiences. The entries are slightly true to the time period and lack originality.	The student did not complete any journal entries with illustrations.
<b>Presentation</b>	The journal entries are presented well and are quite legible.	The journal entries are presented in a sufficient manner and are mostly legible.	The journal entries are presented insufficiently and are slightly legible.	The student either did not complete journal entries or completed entries that were illegible.
<b>Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics</b>	In the journal entries, the student has displayed excellent usage of grammar and mechanics. There are little to no spelling mistakes.	In the journal entries, the student displayed adequate usage of grammar and mechanics. There were some spelling mistakes.	In the journal, the students displayed sparse usage of grammar and mechanics. There were quite a few spelling mistakes.	The journal entries displayed weak usage of grammar and mechanics and there were many spelling mistakes.
<b>Organization and Clarity</b>	The journal entries were organized in a clear manner with fluid transitions.	The journal entries were organized adequately and displayed some clarity. Some transitions were fluid.	The journal entries were not well organized and displayed little clarity. There were few transitions.	The journal entries disorganized and had no clarity. There were no transitions.

### Instructions

You are a citizen in medieval Europe living in the mid-1300s. The Black Death is considerably affecting your economic activities, community, and perhaps even your family or lords. You will write at least five short journal/diary entries discussing your experiences, including knowledge of what you've learned during this unit. With each journal entry, you will be also creating a simple illustration to correspond with what you discussed within that entry. The rubric above is what you should expect of this assignment.