

Digital Story Rubric

Categories	4	3	2	1
Introduction	Digital story has intro at very beginning, gives reader a clear understanding of topic, goes beyond the topic name itself, is visually appealing, no typos.	Intro is provided, but one element from #4 may be missing, may not go beyond topic name, or colors compared to background may not be compatible.	Digital story lacks proper intro, may not go beyond providing topic name, may not be visually appealing, or may even have a few typos.	Digital story is lacking most of the attributes described in #4.
Narration	Narration is clear, descriptive, no stumbling or hesitation, gives reader everything needed to know in a snapshot, gives what and where, tells about unique features, leaves virtually no unanswered questions.	Narration is very good, may involve a little stumbling or uncertainty in voice, may be missing one or two things in terms of the location in world.	Narration is lacking quality. For example, may involve stumbling, may not provide enough information to get a clear understanding of location, leaves some unanswered questions.	Narration involves lots of stumbling, narrator did not bother to attempt a second try, leaves lots of unanswered questions
Pictures	The photos are clear and sharp, a minimum of 15, provide a complete view and understanding of place and location, lots of variety, are not fuzzy.	May be fewer than 15 photos, they are mostly representative of location, a few photos may be very similar to one another, may need just a little more variety	Photos may be fewer than 15 or are not completely representative of the location, some repeats of photos, more variety definitely needed.	Photos fewer than 15, or there are lots of photos of virtually the same spots, almost no variety.
Audio	Both narration and background music provided, the audio from Audacity is clear, not garbled or muffled, doesn't sound like it's coming from a cave.	Narration and background music provided, but there may be something slightly wrong with sound, may not be completely clear, or has background distortions.	Audio definitely has problems involving distortions, is garbled and muffled, is not very clear.	Audio certainly has lots of problems, muffled sounds, garbled language, etc. These problems overshadow most everything else in presentation.
Google Earth	Google Earth KMZ file provided with video resource link, location on Earth is correct, placemark provided, description provided.	Placemark may not be provided accurately, or description is missing, other elements missing or not right.	Description may be missing or there are other problems that could have been taken care of if the student had asked a teacher	Google Earth KMZ file with video resource link either not there, or there are major problems, simply doesn't work, student didn't bother to check it first or confer with teacher to report the problem.
Transitions	Transitions are provided between pictures, they are smooth, not jumpy, are appropriate to the topic.	Transitions are pretty good, but one element may be off or doesn't provide a clear transition.	Either no transitions, or they are quite jumpy, definitely not compatible with pictures.	No transitions provided.
Credits	Credits are provided at end of Movie Maker video. Credits included for photos whenever possible and for musical soundtrack.	Credits included, but one element from #4 may be missing, or there is a typo, perhaps credit for soundtrack is missing.	More than 1 element from credits missing or has lots of typos.	Either no credits provided at end, or there are numerous elements missing.
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