

Sci-Fi or Fantasy Rubric

Use the rubric to check your writing to see if it fits these requirements. Attach this rubric to your printed final draft when you turn it in.

Name _____ Title _____

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Descriptive Words	Many descriptive words are used	Some descriptive words are used	Few descriptive words are used	Very few or no descriptive words are used
Setting (where and when)	Where and when are both fully developed and setting words are sprinkled throughout the story	One part is developed more than the other and setting words disappear for part of the story	Neither where nor when are fully developed or one is left out and setting words appear only at one part of the story	Neither where nor when are mentioned
Character Building	Anecdotes, sensory details and examples create a clear sense of the main characters' thoughts, actions and appearances	Precise, detailed words or phrases get message across and reveal characters' looks, actions, feelings, reactions, and conversation	More precise and accurate words are needed to convey a clear message	Limited details used or unnecessarily repeated
Plot (conflict and resolution)	Skillfully develops plot line with complex major and minor characters and a definite setting	Develops a standard plot line with complex major and minor characters and a definite setting	Provides a minimally developed plot line	Lacks a developed plot line
Sci-Fi or Fantasy Theme	A range of devices such as suspense, dialogue and action (gestures, expressions) skillfully advances the plot, gives insight into characters, and keeps the reader continually informed/entertained	Engaging exposition with logical sequencing of ideas based on chosen theme	Attempts to use details and/or anecdotes, suspense, dialogue, and action, but with minimal effectiveness	Fails to use details, anecdotes, dialogue, suspense, and/or action
Resolution	The ending is surprising and suspenseful	The ending is somewhat surprising	The ending is unoriginal	The ending is missing
Writing Mechanics	Skillful use of mechanics – spelling, punctuation, and grammar	Very few errors in mechanics	Some errors in mechanics	Many significant errors in mechanics
Total Points				_____

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