

Name : _____ Topic # _____

"The Tell Tale Heart" Project Options

Directions: Choose one of the following activities and complete this as a culminating project for the "The Tell-Tale Heart." This completed project must be thorough, done in a professional manner, and ready to present to the class.

Creative Writing

1. Imagine that you are one of the police officers who come to investigate the shriek heard in the night. Describe the situation from your point of view. Make sure to include a description of the house during your search and the man's appearance and behavior. Do you notice anything strange about him? What are your thoughts during the chat before he confesses? What happens after that? This should be at no more than one page long and consistent with the facts in the story.
2. Tell the story from the victim's perspective: What is the victim thinking? Does he have any idea what is going to happen to him? Why did he take in the psychopath? This should be no more page long.
3. Pretend you are a defense attorney trying to get an insanity plea for the narrator. Write down your speech to the jury convincing them that the narrator was insane at the time of the murders. Be sure to give solid evidence from your story to back up your argument. Your argument should be about one page.

Visual Representation

4. Choose a sentence or passage from the story and draw a picture of the image that it creates in your mind. Your picture should be in color, detailed, and be neat. Be sure to write the passage you chose from the story on your picture. Beneath your project, write a ½-1 page description of the scene you drew, explaining how your project is based on evidence from the text AND inferences you drew from the text.
5. Choose a scene from the story and recreate it in a comic strip. Beneath your project, write a ½-1 page description of the scene created, explaining how your project is based on evidence from the text AND inferences from the text.

Grading Rubric:

	Point Possible	Your Points
Content	15	
Presentation is clear and easy for audience to follow	10	
Creativity	5	
Audience Participation	5	
Total Points:	35	