

## Class Project: Newspaper (Teacher Copy)

100 points

Create a newspaper with articles drawn directly from the events/characters in the novel. Include news stories, features, entertainment/style/review pieces, sports articles, obituaries, letters to the editor and whatever else might be needed to complete the newspaper. To earn the total points possible, each student must include a visual with a caption to accompany his/her article as well as a printable headline.

1. On the first day of the unit, the teacher will choose a student as Editor-in-Chief, as well as an Editor for each section: News, Features, Sports, Editorials, Style/Entertainment, etc. These people must be able to use programs such as In-Design, Publisher or PageMaker, whatever each school system utilizes. Note 2: consider extra credit for editors.
2. Students can either choose their own story idea or be assigned a topic by the teacher or editor as events occur or characters are developed.
3. All of the articles, visuals and headlines are turned in on the due date. Note: Headlines must be sentences, each with a specific subject and a strong active verb. Example: *Gangster Frequents East Egg Galas* (for *The Great Gatsby* unit).
4. Each writer lays out his/her own story, visual: picture, chart or graphic to accompany each story, and headline. Section editors are responsible for their section's overall layout, completing or assigning for extra credit whatever might need to be done besides the assigned stories, (fillers, ads, cartoons, etc) to utilize all of the white space.
5. All editors must write an editorial or opinion piece. The Editorial page must contain a Masthead.
6. Teacher assigns number of pages, and number of major articles for each section depending on the number of students in the class. Example: News (6); Features (4), Style/Entertainment ( 5) Sports (5) Editorials (5). The newspaper should be in multiples of four (each paper must fill the front and back). **Sample Master Chart:**

	Article/ Writer	Article/ Writer	Article/ Writer	Article/ Writer	Article/ Writer	Article/ Writer
News Editor:						
Features Editor:						
Style/ Entertainment Editor:						
Sports: Editor						
Editorials Editor:						

7. Every student in a section must peer critique all section pages.
8. Basic Story requirements: **See Student Copy**

**See posting for the complete project.**