



# Presentation

## Story Mapping

Create a multimedia library for your classroom by having your students create presentations using pictures, sounds, and specific effects. They can create a wonderful product for your classroom while using language arts skills to create a living book.

### Materials:

- Book
- Story Map Outline
- Multimedia Planning Sheet
- Presentation Software

### Before the Computer:

- Provide copies of the Story Map Outline for each student.
- Provide copies front and back of the Story Mapping Storyboard for all students.
- Have your students read a story. This can be a story from class or one they read independently. As they read their story have them complete the Story Map Outline.
- After your students have completed the outline, have them use it as a guide to plan their slide shows. Share the Tips for Creating a Slide Show before your students start planning.
- Have your students complete their slide show planning before they begin working on the computer so they can make best use of their computer time.

Here is a guide for your slide show:

### **Slide 1:**

The title slide tells the name of the story, author of the book, and who is creating the slide show. This should also be decorated for interest.

### **Slide 2+:**

This slide should introduce the characters. It would be appropriate to include a drawing of all or some of the characters here. Your students can use multiple slides to introduce several characters.

### **Slide 3+:**

Have your students introduce the setting. It would be appropriate to draw the main setting or include several slides if there are multiple settings.

**Slide 4+:**

Introduce and illustrate the main problem/conflict in the story. This may take several slides.

**Slide 5+:**

Explain how the problem is solved. Include a picture. Use as many slides as you need.

**Slide 6+:**

Conclusion. "The End" slide. Be creative!

How would your main character or another character in the story say goodbye?

**Suggestion:**

To cut down on the amount of time needed to complete this project have students work in-groups.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: As you read your story, take notes in the appropriate boxes. You will use this sheet to help plan your slide show.

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Story Setting</b></p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Main Characters</b></p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Problem</b></p>       | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Solution</b></p>        |

## Tips for Creating a Slide Show

### **1. Color, Color, Color**

Use colorful backgrounds. Instead of using a plain white background behind a landscape or setting, try a solid color (blue for sky, yellow for bright sun, or orange for sunset). Inside a room, use a pattern for wallpaper. Add interest but do not take away from the focus of your picture.

Use contrasting colors. Students sometimes favor similar colors and put light pink letters on a lavender background, which makes them difficult to read. Put a bright yellow on a deep red and notice the effect.

### **2. Larger than Life**

Draw pictures that take up the entire screen or even go off the screen. Make the most important part of your slide clear at first glance.

### **3. Clear and Easy to Read**

Make the text part of the slide show big and bold. Use a text style that is easy to read (not too fancy).

### **4. Let's Hear it for Sound**

When recording, do not accept poor quality. If you make a mistake during the recording, start over. Try to eliminate as much background noise as possible.

### **5. Personalize It**

Use your own artwork. Include clipart and stamps where they are needed but take ownership of your slide show by creating artwork that only you can produce.