

Name _____ Off to be the Wizard by Scott Meyer

1-When was the first computer invented? Who invented it?

2-What is a hacker?

3-When and who invented the first computer mouse?

4-When was the Internet invented and by whom?

5-What was the first video game invented and released?

6-What was the first programming language? How many mainstream programming languages are currently in use? Make a list of the languages and when they came into use.

7-Follow the link listed and choose one computer pioneer to make a wanted poster for.

<https://www.computerhope.com/people/index.htm>

WANTED POSTER: A wanted poster is a clever way to play with the key facts about a subject. Since people on a wanted poster are immediately suspect, your report is immediately funny, especially if your subject did nothing wrong.

ASSIGNMENT: Create a WANTED poster for one of the computer pioneers from the website

DIRECTIONS:

1. Study the samples that we discussed in class. Notice how they include lists of specific facts about their subject as well as a mug shot or picture.

2. Research facts about your chosen pioneer using the internet or textbook and also photographs or drawings you might want to include in your poster. Pay close attention to the main facts about your pioneer's life and behaviors/discoveries.

3. Then create your own poster including a big picture and specific facts or details from your research **IN YOUR OWN WORDS!**

4. Notice that this media never includes complete sentences, so use short phrases or lists.

5. Make sure to include oddball real research facts about your pioneer to make it funny and intriguing.

Computer Pioneer WANTED POSTER PROJECT

| Category | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
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| Use of Class Time | Used time well during each class period. Focused on getting the project done. Never distracted others. | Used time well during each class period. Usually focused on getting the project done and never distracted others. | Used some of the time well during each class period. There was some focus on getting the project done but occasionally distracted others. | Did not use class time to focus on the project OR often distracted others. |
| Attractiveness | The poster is exceptionally attractive in terms of design, layout, and neatness. | The poster is attractive in terms of design, layout and neatness. | The poster is acceptably attractive though it may be a bit messy. | The poster is distractingly messy or very poorly designed. It is not attractive. |
| Content - Accuracy | At least 7 accurate facts are displayed on the poster. | 5-6 accurate facts are displayed on the poster. | 3-4 accurate facts are displayed on the poster. | Less than 3 accurate facts are displayed on the poster. |

RESEARCH-Name: _____

Country he represents: _____

Known for: (You'll need at least 7 interesting facts about your pioneer for full credit.)

Last seen: _____

Reward: _____

Make sure you've included contact information!

