Movie Genres – Webquest

The main task of this Movie Quest is to present a movie genre of your choice. You will have to search web sites and collect relevant material, elaborate and synthesize what you have found and present it to the class persuasively. Among the information you should give to your classmates, there must be:

• A summary of the main characteristics of the movie genre.
• Include some movies as examples with [trailers](http://www.apple.com/trailers/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) or posters to present to class (preferably from English movies).
• Positive aspects. Visit [Internet Movie Database (IMDB)](http://www.imdb.com/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) or [Metacritic](http://www.metacritic.com/) to read reviews of films of the genre you have chosen and collect positive points.
• Negative aspects. Visit [Internet Movie Database (IMDB)](http://www.imdb.com/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) or [Metacritic](http://www.metacritic.com/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_parent) to read reviews of film of the genre you have chosen and collect negative points.
• Anything else you think worth mentioning like, Oscar nominations, special effects, production costs, box-office results, and so on.
• A conclusion

**You should synthesize the collected material in a personal way.**

**Present the material in class (power point presentation)**

**Step 1**
Divide into groups of THREE in order to research ONE movie genre. Each group should research a different genre so as to learn for as many genres as possible. Your teacher may assign a film genre to your group to be sure that more genres are covered.

Use this website to choose a genre: [Filmsite](http://www.filmsite.org/filmgenres.html)

**Step 2**Once you have divided into your groups, each member of your group will have a different role. Choose one of these roles in order to focus your research:
**Reviewer:** Summarize the main characteristics of the chosen genre, give examples and present conclusion.
**Advocate:** Present positive aspects of the genre.
**Critic:** Present negative aspects of the genre.

**Step 3**Now you are ready to get started on your MovieQuest! Choose two or three movies that accurately represent your genre. Visit [Filmsite](http://www.filmsite.org/genres.html), [Internet Movie Data Base](http://www.imdb.com/) and [Metacritic](http://www.metacritic.com/). Study the reviews and get the information you need.

**Step 4**
You got the information you needed!! Organize them with [Organizing your Argument](http://owl.english.purdue.edu/workshops/pp/argument.PPT)

**Step 5**[Design effective PowerPoint presentations](http://www.owlnet.rice.edu/~cainproj/presenting.htm) to capture your audience attention.