

MAKING WRITING AT THE WNY YOUNG WRITERS' STUDIO

CHALLENGE CARDS



These cards were designed for writers who are seeking inspiration as they begin using our new mobile makerspace!

Need an idea? You'll find one here. Use sticky notes and the planning blocks provided to design your creations.

Have an idea to share? Design a challenge card to add to our collection.

STORY MAKER'S CHALLENGE

CREATE YOUR CHARACTERS.

THEN, BUILD A SETTING THAT
WILL SUPPORT ALL OF THEM.

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

OBSERVE

ADJUST

STORY MAKER'S CHALLENGE

BUILD A MARBLE MAZE THAT REPRESENTS THE CENTRAL CONFLICT IN YOUR STORY.

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STORY MAKER'S CHALLENGE

MAKE A WORK OF ART THAT
REVEALS THE THEME OF YOUR
STORY.

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STORY MAKER'S CHALLENGE

BUILD YOUR CHARACTER.

THEN, BUILD THE BRIDGE THAT YOUR CHARACTER MUST CROSS. MAKE SURE IT SUPPORTS YOUR CHARACTER'S WEIGHT.

GENERATE IDEAS

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STORY MAKER'S CHALLENGE

CREATE A CHAIN REACTION
THAT DEMONSTRATES HOW
EVENTS IN YOUR STORY
INFLUENCE ONE ANOTHER.

GENERATE IDEAS

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STORY MAKER'S CHALLENGE

BUILD A THREE DIMENSIONAL
STORY MAP USING INDEX
CARDS AND STRAWS.

GENERATE IDEAS

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CLAIM MAKER'S CHALLENGE

CREATE A HOUSE OF CARDS
THAT DEMONSTRATES HOW
YOU ARE USING EVIDENCE TO
SUPPORT YOUR CLAIM.

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CLAIM MAKER'S CHALLENGE

BUILD YOUR ARGUMENT:
CREATE A THREE DIMENSIONAL
STRUCTURE THAT REVEALS YOUR
CLAIM, THE EVIDENCE THAT SUPPORTS
IT, AND HOW YOU PLAN TO ADDRESS
COUNTERCLAIMS.

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

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CLAIM MAKER'S CHALLENGE

DESIGN A WORK OF ART
THAT SERVES AS A
POWERFUL CALL TO ACTION.

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

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ADJUST

INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE MAKE A
POWERFUL POM POM
LAUNCHER?

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

OBSERVE

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INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE MAKE AN
OPEN CHAIN FROM A SINGLE
INDEX CARD THAT A PERSON
CAN FIT THROUGH?

GENERATE IDEAS

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INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE BUILD A VERY TALL STRUCTURE USING A SINGLE CUBE AS THE BASE?

GENERATE IDEAS

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INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE MAKE POP-UP
BOOKS FROM THE STORIES
THAT WE WROTE?

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

OBSERVE

ADJUST

INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE MAKE A FIELD
GAME THAT TEAMS WILL
LOVE TO PLAY?

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

OBSERVE

ADJUST

INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE MAKE A TABLE
GAME THAT TEAMS WILL
LOVE TO PLAY?

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

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INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE MAKE
A ROBOT?

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

OBSERVE

ADJUST

INSTRUCTION MAKER'S CHALLENGE

HOW CAN WE MAKE
A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?

GENERATE IDEAS

PROTOTYPE

OBSERVE

ADJUST