

Cereal Box Book Report



Students will decorate a real cereal box with the illustrations and information related to the one of the ancient civilizations we have studied: India, Egypt, Greece, Roman, Sumerians, etc...using the directions below. I expect a lot of time, effort, and hard work to be put into these reports, not for them to be completed sloppily in one night. I also will expect all directions to be followed, so a copy of the rubric that will be used to grade the report has been attached.

**You will want to cover the entire box with a light colored paper. I recommend to NOT write directly on the covered box, but to rather, measure the area carefully and create a template. I will model this in class. **

FRONT OF BOX: Include the name of the cereal and a picture illustrating one of the important ideas of that civilization. Invent a name for the cereal that is related to the name of the civilization and sounds like a cereal. Do not use the exact name of the civilization. Choose a shape for the cereal as well as colors and ingredients that all related to the civilization. For example, Ancient Egypt, you could name it Egyptian Edible Yum-Yums and have the shape of the cereal be a pyramid, a crown, mummies, and marshmallow gems. (you are not providing any real cereal)

TOP HALF OF BACK OF BOX: Design a game that teaches about the civilization. It can be a puzzle, word search, word scramble, maze, crossword puzzle, hidden picture illustration, matching game, or any other fun activity that might be found on the back of a cereal box. Make sure it includes information from your civilization.

BOTTOM HALF OF BACK OF BOX: Include a map of your civilization. It must be labeled correctly and neatly.

RIGHT SIDE: Instead of ingredients on the side, write a timeline with pictures.

LEFT SIDE: Write an overview of your civilization that describes it - this should be a paragraph that highlights the most important aspects of your civilization.

TOP OF BOX: Include your civilization and the time it flourished and a one sentence grabber (example Egypt was land of pharaohs, pyramids, and mummies.) Give the civilization a rating - the maximum number of stars would be five.

PRIZE: Cereal boxes often include a prize. Your prize must be a homemade artifact from your civilization. You can even include a picture of the prize on the front of the box to let the reader know what is inside the box. (for example for the Egyptian Edibles Yum-Yums you could include an amulet)

Cereal Box Report Rubric

Name: _____

Civilization:	Points Earned	Comments
Cereal Box is neat, colorful, and attractive.	/3	
The front of the box is complete and thoughtfully done. It includes the name of the cereal (related to the civilization) and an original illustration.	/2	
The top of the box is complete and thoughtfully done. The top includes the name of the civilization, the time period it flourished, a one sentence summary and number of stars.	/2	
The top half of the back of the box is complete and thoughtfully done with an informative game.	/2	
The bottom half of the back of the box is complete and thoughtfully done. The map is neat and easy to read. Major cities or landforms are identified.	/2	
The right side of the box is complete and accurate. It includes a timeline.	/2	
The left side of the box is complete and accurate. It includes a summary of the civilization.	/2	
Spelling, punctuation, and grammar are correct.	/3	
Prize is relevant.	/2	
Total	/20	

