

## Teaching Handouts: Benefits

### **A Multigenre Paper:**

Presents multiple, conflicting perspectives of one event or topic.

Provides a rich context for an event or topic.

Permits meaning to dictate form instead of vice versa.

Requires that diverse types of writing be generated for a theme.

Demonstrates a sophisticated knowledge of various types and uses of language.

Integrates factual information into a meaningful text versus copying or simple recall.

Permits the author to highlight personal interests and special expertise.

Stimulates critical analysis and higher level thinking skills.

Makes the coherence among the parts and the unity of the project a problem to be solved.

Requires a bibliography, footnotes, and careful documentation of sources.

Are almost impossible to plagiarize.

Imitates the format of modern novels and innovative business reports.

Can make full use of computers and multimedia.

Can incorporate interviews, oral history, folklore, and ethnographic research.

Results in an aesthetically attractive product.

Demands careful reading and response.

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