

Final Portfolio Project

English 8 | Durham and Utley

For a **final project** in English class, you will submit a portfolio with each of the following:

- Memoir Piece** (Personal Narrative or Piece from your Heartmap or a 5-minute memory)
 - First Draft with revisions highlighted
 - Final Draft
- Poem** (Poem on the Wall, other poem?)
 - First Draft with revisions highlighted
 - Final Draft
- Essay** (Timed Writing Essay, Literary Essay about The Giver, letter to author, new essay)
 - First Draft with revisions highlighted
 - Final Draft
- Student Choice** (One piece of writing from either semester – mugshot, RFP entry, Quickwrite, Letter, About-Me Piece)
 - First Draft with revisions highlighted
 - Final Draft

How do I get an A?

Go above and beyond in your revisions and the final quality of your writing and/or the quantity of pieces included in your portfolio. (Four pieces is the minimum; more are encouraged!)

These are the minimum requirements. To receive an A or a B+ on this project, you will be expected to go above and beyond – either in the quantity of final pieces or the quality of your drafts and revisions. You will have a chance to defend how you've earned the "above and beyond" points when you turn in your scoring guide.

Your portfolio should be bound with an attractive cover/title page that includes the following information:

- Your Name**
- English 8 Final Portfolio**
- 2011-2012**
- The Title of your Portfolio**
- Your Teacher's Name** (Mrs. Utley or Ms. Durham)

Creativity on the cover is encouraged! Final drafts may be **typed** or **neatly handwritten**. Your portfolio is due **Wednesday, Thursday, May 17, 2012**. You will have time in class to work on this project, but you may need to spend some time working on it at home as well.

Student Name (Please Print)

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Dear Reader,

The title I'm giving my final portfolio is _____,
because _____

_____.

The four required pieces are:

My extra titles include:

I chose these pieces because _____

_____.

The piece I will be reading is _____, because

Your signature