DETAILED DIORAMA

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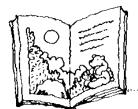
The location an author chooses for the setting of a story is an important part of any book. For this at-home book project, you will read a fiction story. Then, you will create a 3-dimensional diorama that shares a special event in your story while giving special attention to the details of the setting. You will also pay close attention to the plot by mapping out the key events of your story. Your diorama will be displayed in our classroom Book Brag Museum.

GETTING STARTED:

You will need a shoe box opened on one long end, and your Detailed Diorama pattern page. You will want to collect materials from around your home to reconstruct a detailed, three-dimensional scene from your story.

MAKING YOUR PROJECT:

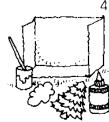
 You will enjoy designing your project most if you select a book that has an interesting setting (the place where the story happened) and plot (the order of events).





- 2. As you read the book, record the sequence of events on scratch paper. Have an adult help you revise and edit your list.
- Complete the written work on the Detailed Diorama pattern page. Cut out each box.





- 4. Collect the materials you will need to illustrate the setting and characters as they appeared in a key event from your story. Remember to add special details to make your diorama 3-dimensional. Use all the space within the box. Use your imagination to make cut-outs or clay models of characters; foil for a pond or lake; cotton balls for clouds or snow, etc.
- 5. Decorate the outside edges of the diorama. Then glue the two small pattern page pieces on the two ends of your box. Attach the large pattern box (Plot Out the Main Events Shown Here) to the back of your diorama.
- 6. Bring your project to class by:

SHARING YOUR DETAILED DIORAMA:

We will put all of our dioramas on display and invite others to visit our Book Brag Museum.

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