



Introduction:

Whilst thou be so kind as to join us on a journey? Together, let us enter the realm of the Medieval World, experiencing life with all of its hardships and pleasantries, festivals and battles.

The Royal Family is introducing its most prize possession to the village - Princess Elise. The Princess has just turned 10 and she would like to venture into the courtyard to experience the world outside her castle. Each member of the medieval village wants to gain favour with the King and Queen. To do this they must please the sweet princess with their unique talents and treasures.

You are taking on a very important role as a member of this medieval society and need to educate the princess on what you do and why you are important to her kingdom. During a very exciting Medieval Fair you will be able to introduce yourself and your craft to Princess Elise.

Task:

First Things First...

1. It is very important that you choose a medieval character that may interest you. For a list of possible roles you may take in a medieval village. Then choose a partner.

Your next step...

3. Start researching your role using many different resources and jotting down your ideas in an organized space. Please refer to the resource section below for ideas.

4. Use the student work sheet and check list to make sure that you have researched all important details related to your topic.

After you research.... and during development

5. Take a look at the area where your task will be displayed. Measure out the space on the wall so that you know the size of material you will need. Collect your materials to begin your background construction. Billboard Size.

6. Decide the costume and personal characteristics you want for your character. Make a list of all of the materials you may need to create your characters. [Click here](#) to get some additional costume ideas.

7. Begin construction on your billboard, referring to the work sheet and check list to make sure that you do not miss any steps.

8. Prepare a short advertisement, not more than 25 words,

Process:

Part A

1. Does the ostrich fly? Why does it have wings?
2. Why does the ostrich have a long neck? How is this trait advantageous to the ostrich?
3. What impact might your animal have on the food chain within this new habitat?

Part B

Where is man's footprint on the natural habitat of the ostrich?

1. Download the habitat worksheet, and review the questions.
2. Precede to the "Home on the Range" an interactive map to learn more about the African habitat of the ostrich.
3. Do more exploration of satellite images and maps by Exploring Google Maps.

Part C

Use the Task Tips Guide to decide on the roles that each person will play (lead investigator, habitat expert, forensic artist, audio-visual expert) in the completion of this task.

Extreme Ostrich Makeover : Role Cards	
Each group member will be assigned one of the following roles:	
Lead Investigator <ul style="list-style-type: none">- restate the task to ensure the team's understanding of expectations- coordinate the team's attempts to apply their knowledge of adaptations, habitat, food chains, classification of organisms- encourage participation by all team members in selecting of an appropriate 'Makeover Model'- ensure that assigned tasks are in line with the interests and abilities individuals in your group	Habitat Expert <ul style="list-style-type: none">- become familiar with the assigned or chosen habitat for your new ostrich- research the interrelationships among plants and animals in the selected habitat- collaborate with teammates in deciding which adaptations would be necessary for your ostrich to fit into the natural 'community'- work with the Forensic Artist to ensure that mock-ups of the new ostrich are suitable
Forensic Artist <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Gather opinions of your teammates regarding the real characteristics and habits of your and brainstorm potential adaptations for your ostrich- prepare mock-ups (drawings) of what you expect the new ostrich to look like- prepare electronic drawings using a paint program, Flash, KidPix, Photoshop Elements- with help from your teammates, prepare a model, puppet, cartoon, or diorama (use papier mache, paint and paper, digital art tools,	Audio-Visual Expert <ul style="list-style-type: none">- become familiar with presentation software (PowerPoint, HyperStudio, Corel Presentations, Star Office...)- effectively layout the slides with titles, images and words- use a camera to include images of your new ostrich (model, drawings...)- communicate with team members to ensure each person understands their role in the presentation of your ostrich- select appropriate background music, and sound effects for the presentation

Resources:

Student page - http://www.ldcsb.on.ca/schools/cfe/RPT/RPT_OnceUponATime/student.html

Parent page - http://www.ldcsb.on.ca/schools/cfe/RPT/RPT_OnceUponATime/student.html