

Making a children's book

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A brief description of my project

My project was creating a children's book about climate change. Some of my steps were planning out the outline of the story, then writing a rough draft. After that I peer edited and finished the complete story. Next, I created a title for my book. After choosing “polar bear of plastic” I moved on to illustrate the cover and other pages. I had time for two detailed drawings.

Why this project?

I chose this project because I like creating stories and I love art. Also, I spent most of fourth and fifth grade learning about climate change. With my knowledge of climate change I wanted to do something about it. So I did what I do best and made a story about it.

challenges

Making a children's picture book is not easy. You need to take the complex explanation of climate change and make it seem simple. I had multiple frustrations in which I completed most of the story then deleted it all due to a little bit of possible boredom. Kids would rather have a little less words and a little more pictures.

learning

It was a very good learning experience. You may ask “How? You just made a children’s book.” What you don't understand is that to make a book like this, you need to put yourself in the shoes of a seven or eight year old, and find out whether the story would make more sense to a scientist or a kid. I learned some pretty fun facts about polar bears as well!

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Shout outs

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