

Making a Documentary

Students can work in groups to produce a short docudrama of several minutes. As docudramas very often use photographs as part of the visual presentation, students can incorporate photographs, and other visual materials, to illustrate their topic. Students can choose a topic, write the narrative and prepare storyboards. Perhaps they can use a video camera to actually shoot their docudrama, or play out scenes themselves as a sort of mini play. They might choose topics such "Life on a Homestead" or "Surviving a Flood." They can also do research about the topic to incorporate into the docudrama.