

# Serial Criminal Cereal Box Project Assessment



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## **Purpose:**

- Research and analyze a serial criminal (serial killer, mass killer, spree killers, serial arsonists).
- Gather information about your serial killer from multiple sources.
- Demonstrate knowledge of how we profile serial criminals.
- Analyze the motives and penalties associated with the crimes.
- Organize & present the information in a creative and visually appealing manner. (Cover a cereal or food box with information about a chosen criminal.)

## **Box Layout:**

1. **Front of Box:** Use the front to “showcase” your serial killer. You need to include graphics such as a picture of the person or something representative of the person, slogans, nicknames, and your cereal’s title displayed in an artsy way.
2. **Back of Box:** This side represents the “**interactive**” part of your project. Lots of cereals have cartoons, crossword puzzles, mazes, riddles, hidden pictures, graphic organizers, etc. This section must convey content yet be entertaining. Be creative!
3. **One Sides of the Box:** Just as every cereal box has a list of nutritional facts and ingredients, use one side your box to generate a list of facts, dates, places, and names that are important to your project topic. This is where you will include a list of victims and their ages, when and where the attacks happened, evidence found, how they were killed, and anything else you feel you should include. You must have **ten facts listed on one side of the box**. Here are possible ways to fill this side:
  - i. When the murders took place (over how long of a period, between what years, a single incident, etc.)
  - ii. Number of victims
  - iii. Names, ages, and sex of victims
  - iv. Killer’s signature
  - v. Killer’s modus operandi
  - vi. Did they show early warning signs?
  - vii. What type of offender were they? (organized, mixed, etc.)
  - viii. Explain how they were caught...
  - ix. What was their sentence?
  - x. Any other general biographical information
4. **Other Side of the Box:** This side is for your own opinion.
  - What do you think was their motivation for their crimes?
  - What would you recommend for a sentence? Support your opinion.
5. **Bottom:** This where you will put all of the sources you used. You must use and list at least **two** sources. Wikipedia cannot be a source, but is a great starting point (follow their citations). If you used a website, I should be able to type the URL and go directly to the page you used and see that you did not just cut and paste (this is plagiarism, which results in a score of 0).
6. **Top:** Please place your name(s), date, and hour on the top flap of the box.

## **Tips:**

- Use pictures, graphics, charts, tables, timelines, clip art, fonts, bulleted items, color, etc. Try to create a “professional” cereal box filled with educational information about you criminal.