Skit Writing Format

One way that students can show that they know about a subject is to write a skit. You can be creative while simultaneously incorporating facts about your topic. There are some basic rules that you need to use to make this job easier to evaluate.

- 1. Always skip a line between each character's line(s) of dialogue.
- 2. Put a colon (:) immediately after each character's dialogue.
- 3. Number your facts and <u>underline</u> them.
- 4. Put quotation marks around the dialogue.

Sample: Let's say that the topic is "cells and organelles." The teacher will have to tell you what your source of information is and how many facts to include. I might say that this assignment must have a minimum of 20 facts.

The skit can be from the point of view of the cell organelles or from fictional "people characters" who are talking about the organelles. Your choice.

Ronnie Ribosome: "Hey, Nancy, what are you doing to get that order ready by 4:00 P.M. today? How are you going to make that deadline?"

Nancy Nucleolus: "Well, Ronnie, I plan to not take any breaks, and I'm going to have all my materials preassembled. As you may recall, it's my job to make particles like yourself called ribosomes. It gets sort of crowded here, too, since I'm sharing this nucleus with chromatin and all its components. (2)

Ronnie Ribosome: "Yea, <u>chromatin does take up a lot of space with all that material</u> in long strands. (3)

Nancy Nucleolus: "Please recall that <u>chromatin eventually becomes tightly packed</u> into more identifiable bodies called chromosomes." (4)

etc.