

1 No Adjectives: Write about an object, but without adjectives. See how many words you can use! *Due Sept. 10*

2 World Building: Create your own fantasy world in the form of a drawing, a list of ideas, anything! *Due Sept. 10*

3 Colors: Write about your favorite color. What does it bring to mind? *Due Sept. 10*

4 Portraits: Draw, photograph, or write about someone. How do you capture their personality in one medium? *Due Sept. 10*

5 Medusa: Write about Medusa, separate from the knowledge you may have about the myth. *Due Sept. 10*

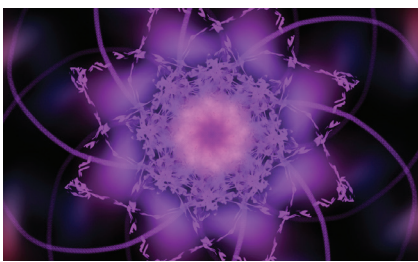
6 Exploring: Imagine you are an explorer coming across a completely uninhabited and untouched place. What is it like? *Due Sept. 17*

7 Flowers: Go outside and look for a flower or flowering weed. What do you imagine this plant would be like as a human? *Due Sept. 17*

8 Crystals: Do you believe in the healing powers of crystals? Why or why not? *Due Sept. 17*

9 Lucky: Do you have a lucky number, piece of jewelry, or other charm? What about it brings you luck? *Due Sept. 17*

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10 Mandala: A mandala is a geometric design that expands from a single point at the center. Let your mind slow down as you draw or paint your own mandala, or photograph inspiration you find for one. *[Digital art by Evie Crowell] Due Sept. 17*

11 Window: Look out (or in) the closest window to you. What do you see? What is going on on the



YOUNG WRITERS PROJECT

FALL WRITING AND ART CHALLENGES

These challenges are designed by Young Writers Project (YWP) to inspire youth to write and create visual art for publication each month in this newspaper, and in YWP's digital magazine and annual anthology. YWP is an online creative community based in Burlington since 2006. To respond to these challenges, please join the YWP community at youngwritersproject.org.



"Mt. Mansfield View," by Abrie Howe, 17, Stowe

other side? If you can't see through it well, then what do you imagine might be happening? *Due Sept. 24*

12 Creatures: Draw or write about your own magical creature. What does it look like? What is its personality? *Due Sept. 24*

13 Ode to Berries: What is your favorite summer berry? Write an ode to it! *Due Sept. 24*

14 Stargazing: Go stargazing and write, draw, or photograph what you see. *Due Sept. 24*

15 Walk and Write: Go for a walk, find a comfy spot to sit, and write down whatever comes to mind in that moment. *Due Sept. 24*

16 Sentence Completing No. 1: "If you squint your eyes just enough, you should be able to see ..." *Due Oct. 1*

17 Book Reviews: Write a brief review of your favorite book. What about it is so special? *Due Oct. 1*

18 Sentence Completing No. 2: "We walked for what felt like days, until ..." *Due Oct. 1*

19 Library: If you could construct your own personal library, what would it look like? What types of books would its shelves hold? *Due Oct. 1*

20 Inventing: What's something you think should have been invented, but hasn't been yet? *Due Oct. 1*

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21 Surreal: Paint or photograph a realistic landscape, then add a distinctly unrealistic object, person, or creature popping up into the scene. *[Photo by Penelope Zygarowski] Due Oct. 1*

22 Etiquette: Write the new rules of etiquette for modern-day society. What has changed and what has stayed the same? *Due Oct. 8*

23 Sentence Completing No. 3: "Since ____ happened, so many things have changed ..." *Due Oct. 8*

24 Hobbies: What's a hobby that you love? Write all about it. *Due Oct. 8*

25 Personification: Choose two objects and personify them. What do they talk about? What do they do together? *Due Oct. 8*

26 Space: What do you think it would be like to live in space, among the stars? *Due Oct. 8*

ABOUT YWP

HOW TO JOIN: Young Writers Project (YWP) welcomes teens, ages 13-18, to join our free online community of writers and visual artists. Youth who are 12 may join YWP with parental permission. Teachers are also invited to join to submit work on behalf of younger students for publication. To join or for more information, go to youngwritersproject.org.

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