Reflective Journal Instructions

Now you have finished your short story multigenre Web project. Write a short journal to think about your project. In your journal answer the following questions:

- What I Did: (explain what you and your group did to finish your project)
- What I enjoyed: (write about what you liked most about the project)
- What I found difficult: (write about any part of the project you found hard to do)
- What really worked: (write about any part that you thought worked well).
- Next time: (write what you would do differently next time)

Example:

What I did (the process): We decided how we wanted to divide our short story and chose the genres we wanted to use in each section. Then we decided on the genre for our introduction to our story and worked together to write it. Each of us developed one paragraph and then we revised it so it all went together smoothly. Next we selected the genres that we wanted to write individually for each section. We each wrote our individual genres. We group edited our genres for spelling, punctuation, and capitalization. As a group we decided on hyper links between genres. Finally we used the FrontPage directions and put multigenre Web on a Web site, carefully hyper linking the genres in each section to each other and hyper linking the sections back to the introduction.

I really enjoyed discussing our stories in lit circles. Thinking up what genres we were going to use was tough. Talking over our story together made it easier. Writing the genres was fun and was quite easy. If we made a mistake, we could just delete and start over. If one of us forgot our part, we could ask the rest of the group for help.

It was hard doing the hyper linking and creating the Web site. We had to decide how we were going to link each genre to the others. We had to decide which genres would go first in each section. It worked really well when we worked together to put up our Web sites. It was fun adding clip art and pictures to the writing.

Next time I would take more time writing the genres so that my hyperlinks would be logical. I would consult with my group members more during the writing phase. I would also choose my clipart and Internet pictures before putting up the Web site to make it go faster.