



# The Dante Project

Dante in the dark wood

For this project on Dante's *Inferno* you will investigate in more detail one aspect of the story and present your findings to the class. The project will have two parts: a written report and an oral presentation.

**Subject:** The subject of your project will be based from an image depicting a scene from The *Inferno*. You are to investigate in more detail what this scene represents (and any figure or figures it depicts). Your Written Report should have these sections:

<b>Introduction:</b>	identify the figure/scene and place in the <i>Inferno</i>
<b>Background:</b>	present any historical/cultural background to the figure/scene
<b>Critical Views:</b>	present various interpretations of what the figure/scene represents based from your research
<b>Larger Meaning:</b>	clarify how the figure/scene fits within the larger world of Dante's <i>Inferno</i>
<b>Artistic Interpretation:</b>	discuss this artist's interpretations of the figure/scene

Where to find images:

Dante's World <http://danteworlds.laits.utexas.edu/>

[National Gallery of Victoria](http://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/collection/international/print/b/blake/dante.html) : <http://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/collection/international/print/b/blake/dante.html>

## Written Report:

You will write a written report of between 700 and 1250 words (roughly 3-5 pages). Your report will cover each of the items listed as the subject of the project above. You must include materials from **at least THREE outside sources** (no more than one web source counts for these three, so that means you at least need to have two textual sources from books—you certainly are encouraged to have more than three sources). The report should have a cover/title page with a copy of the graphic (please make it large sized) identifying the name/place of the scene/figure. The cover pages should also include a title for your report and your name and date. The report should be typed, double-spaced, and follow MLA Documentation Style. **Due Dec. 4.**

## Oral Presentation:

Starting on December 4th, we will be doing oral presentations. Everyone should be ready to present starting that Tuesday. Each presenter will show their graphic and discuss for roughly 5-7 minutes on their project.

Grade: Written Report worth 70% of the grade / Oral Presentation worth 30% of the grade

**Project is worth 15% of your grade**