**Star Comics**

For this mini-project, you will be creating a comic strip that details the life of a star. Your comic should not only contain pictures and drawings, but explanatory text that tells the reader what they are viewing. Be sure to include all of the following information:

1. At the top of your comic you should have the title: “Star Comic” by “Your Name”.
2. Draw and explain what life was like in the universe before stars were created, and what types of matter existed in the universe.
3. Draw and explain how stars are formed, including the Goldilocks Conditions, types of matter, temperature, etc.
4. Draw and explain the basic structure of a star.
5. Draw and explain how gravity has shaped and ordered the universe.
6. Draw and explain what happens as stars begin to age and eventually die.
7. Draw and explain what happens at the end of a star’s life and what impact it has had on the universe.
8. Be sure that your comic strip is neatly done and includes plenty of bright, bold color.

This project will be due on: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Star Comic Rubric**

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| **Evidence** | Exceeding | Meeting | Approaching | Beginning |
| **Identify sources that support my claim.** | I can **identify** two pieces of evidence to support the claim from a source(s) my teacher gave me. | I can **identify** one piece of evidence to support the claim from a source(s) my teacher gave me. | I can try to **identify** one piece of evidence to support the claim from a source(s) my teacher gave me. | I can **try to identify** a piece of evidence from a source given by my teacher. |

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| **Reasoning** | Exceeding | Meeting | Approaching | Beginning |
| **Defend claims with useful evidence** | I **defend** a claim with two useful pieces of evidence from a source(s) my teacher gave me. | I **defend** a claim with one useful piece of evidence from a source my teacher gave me. | I **defend** a claim with one useful piece of evidence from a source my teacher gave me with help from my teacher. | I **defend** a claim with unclear evidence. |