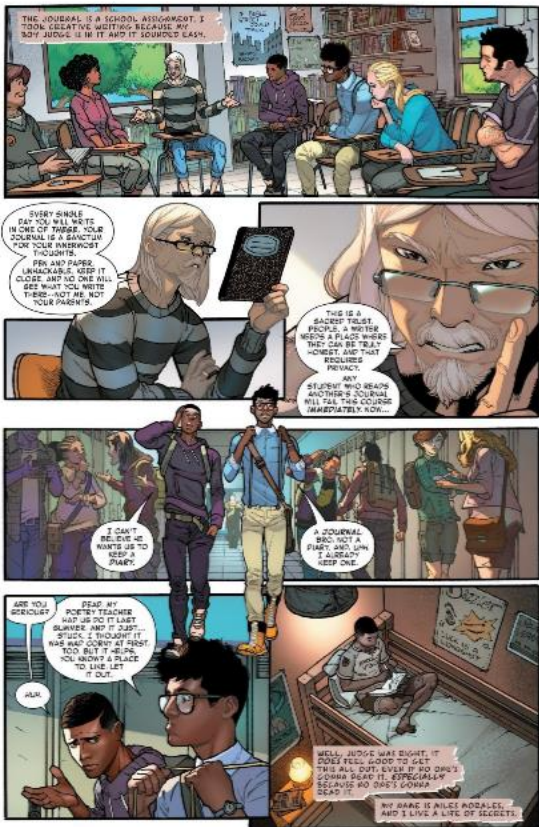


Comic Terminology

Directions: Complete the following notes on comic terms. You can reference this handout to help you better understand our next book, *American Born Chinese*.



Panel

- Also called a frame
- A _____ in a comic
- Represents 1 _____ in time
- A _____ of panels help to tell a story
- Read from _____ to _____, top to bottom in American comics
- Bigger panel means the moment is more _____ and takes _____
- An item breaking through a panel shows the power and _____ of that character or object



Panel Layout

- How the panels are _____ on the page
- Layout should help the reader understand the plot
- Layout can symbolize the action or _____ of a character
- _____ in normal layout can draw attention to a moment

Coloring

- Can reflect a _____
- Can symbolize tensions or a _____
- Can show a flashback or change in _____
- Can show a change in _____ /character



Splash Page

- Image takes up the _____ page
- Used to show the _____ of the moment
- Can focus on a location, _____, and/or action
- Used sparingly

Lettering

- Dialogue and _____ of characters
- Coloring can show differences between who is speaking
- Font can represent _____ or mood
- The _____ of the boxes and balloons (that contain dialogue) can symbolize the character, mood, - _____, etc.



Write an observation of the following comic element and explain how it impacts/contributes to the story.

Panel Layout:

Coloring:

Lettering: