**Fact from Fiction:** *The Martian*

Use this graphic organizer to record notes as you view the movie.

**Mark is… Problems!**

**Careers**

**In Science**

**I wonder…**

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Your project will consist of three parts. This project will be completed on a poster board or Powerpoint.

1) Summary Component

**Comic Strip**

Create a comic strip to illustrate the events of the movie. Use the graphic organizer sections “Mark is..” and “Problems” to help remind you of aspects of Mark’s character and the obstacles he faces. Your comic strip article should have:

* A title that summarizes the main idea of the movie (do not use the movie title)
* 5 frames (squares) – they may be all the same size, or different sizes
  + Narrow the movie to five important events, and retell each in chronological order (in sequence of time)
  + Use images, narration, and dialogue to give details from the movie
  + Color & print neatly

You may find it helpful to use a template for your comic. You can create these yourself in a Word document - there are even different dialogue bubbles (“Insert” 🡪 “Shapes” 🡪 select your choice) – or you can find one online.

1. Careers in Science Component

In *The Martian*, we get to see many different careers in science on the big screen. I want you to investigate one career that was interesting to you.

* What does this person do in their job?
* How does someone become a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
* How is this job portrayed in the movie?
* How do you think their job is interesting?
* Would you ever want to do this job? Why or why not?
  + Please write what you have researched in a concise 200-250 word summary. Use paragraphs to separate each event, and transition words to link ideas (then, next, after, following, before)

1. Cool Science Component

Finally, in *The Martian* the director has the opportunity to showcase a lot of really cool science. For example, we see

* The Mars rover
* A rocket take off
* How people navigate space
* How Mark grows food in Mars
* How astronauts live in space
* Etc.

I want you to investigate one ‘cool piece of science’ from this movie. Research whether the science they portrayed is accurate. If it is, explain how the science works. If it isn’t, explain why it is false or what the director might have left out. Also, give me your thoughts regarding why you thought this was interesting.

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