

FP: Proposal

What is the fictitious truth, and why is this of interest to you?:

The fictitious truth I want to write about concerns vampires and how they are not the monsters history has made them out to be, but instead are the guardians of their kind who have been quietly maintaining the balance between humans and supernatural forces, while secretly helping in the stability and progress of human society throughout history. Vampires have always existed, working behind the scenes to guide humanity through moments of upheaval. The world may never have known how much vampires have contributed to the growth and advancement of human civilization, but their efforts are there, shaping events from the shadows. Meanwhile, fairies—often seen as gracious and benevolent—are the true manipulators of this world and a danger lurking in the shadows of society. Fairies have used charm and deceit to influence the course of history, hiding their darker nature behind a facade of beauty and elegance. This concept is interesting to me because it blends mythology and fantasy which are two topics I am passionate about the exploration of how societal narratives about good and evil are shaped. It's a chance to take familiar mythical figures and offer a fresh interpretation, challenging established ideas about who the true villains and heroes are. The project allows me to dive into the complexities of myths, providing a new perspective that makes readers question everything they thought they knew about these supernatural beings.

What is the fictitious organization/entity that is presenting this material?:

The organization presenting this material is The Institute for Nocturnal Histories (INH), a secretive and scholarly institution run by vampires of all social order. From high-ranking

members of vampire society to those who work under the INH, its mission is to correct centuries of misinformation surrounding vampires and to expose the atrocities committed by fairies and other hidden supernatural forces. The INH will not only aim to highlight vampires' positive contributions throughout history but also reveal the true nature of fairies and their manipulation of human society. Through carefully compiled research, case studies, and firsthand testimonies, the institute will provide the world with an accurate account of how vampires have long served as protectors, keeping humanity safe from supernatural dangers, including fairies. The INH will feature interviews with vampires who have witnessed fairy wrongdoing firsthand and include stories about defected fairies who have secretly aligned with the vampires in their efforts to expose the truth. This will be like a research university, where evidence and historical documentation are presented to the public for viewing.

How could this project become a "benevolent untruth"?:

This project could be classified as a “benevolent untruth” by offering an alternative history in which vampires are the misunderstood heroes rather than the feared villains. The aim is to bring to light the truth of history, showing how vampire portrayals have been misrepresented in the media. It would also highlight the dangers of fairy culture, urging people to question why this once-innocent image has been celebrated. The benevolent untruth exists in the rewriting of a history that paints vampires in a false light, transforming them from monsters into the protectors they have always been. By challenging long-standing myths, this project will urge readers to think critically about how narratives are shaped, how history is written, and how the terms “good” and “evil” are applied to different groups. The project will take the form of a blog-like webpage, backed by thorough research to help inform the public and correct these misconceptions. The goal is to educate humans about the true nature of supernatural forces and

help them thrive in an environment where they can live longer and prosper, just as vampires have worked for centuries to ensure their survival and success. While vampires may have kept their actions hidden, the truth is that they have always been working for humanity's benefit, even if the world has never understood their purpose.