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Position Paper Expectations

- a. 1 Page
- b. Times New Roman 12pt font
- c. 1-inch margins
- d. Header
 - i. Committee:
 - ii. Delegation:
 - iii. Name, School
- e. Paragraphs:
 - i. Background of the issue (based on background guide)
 - ii. Country stance / past United Nations actions (what has your country and the UN done about the issue)
 - iii. Proposed solutions (how do you and your country think this issue should be solved)



Letter to Delegates

Co-Chair: Nini Tran

Hello delegates, and welcome to the fifth session of T&T MUN! My name is Nini Tran, and I will be your co-chair for the Fantasy Crisis: Steven Universe. A little more about me, I am a Junior at the Preuss School UCSD and a dedicated member of our school's MUN club. I joined in 9th to prepare myself for JMUN and was gaslighted into attending KnightsMUN by our club president, and the rest is history. Consequently, I attended KnightsMUN, NCRC, T&T MUN, Rotary, and JMUN, where I earned a research award. Through this club, I have enhanced my public speaking skills and polished my debating prowess. Additionally, I met wildly new personalities through MUN.

Beyond MUN, I enjoy indulging in only the finest anime and mangas (ahem, Haikyuu!! and Blue Lock). In addition, I enjoy listening to K-pop, playing volleyball, and crocheting.

I plan to create an enjoyable committee where creativity flourishes and allyship is encouraged. I hold this topic near and dear to me, as I have been a long-time supporter of the franchise (my favorite character being Peridot). Delegates - research hard, plan well, and have a restful sleep.

Contact me for questions or concerns at nltran@preuss.ucsd.edu

Best Regards,

Nini Tran

Co-Chair, Fantasy Crisis



Co-Chair: Kathy Tran

Welcome to the Steven Universe Crisis! My name is Kathy Tran, and I will serve as your co-chair for the Fantasy Crisis: Steven Universe. I'm a junior at the Preuss School UCSD and a dedicated member of our school's MUN club. I joined 9th-grade JMUN to improve my public speaking skills. After that, I attended NCRC, T&T MUN, Rotary, Laguna Beach, and JMUN.

When I'm not participating in MUN, I watch K-dramas (Twinkling Watermelon!), listen to K-pop (Gfriend R.I.P.), draw, crochet, or read. MUN can be nerve-wracking but don't forget we are all here to have fun. I'm excited to see what creative ideas you all have.

Contact me for questions or concerns at kktran@preuss.ucsd.edu

Best Regards,

Kathy Tran

Co-Chair, Fantasy Crisis



Key Terms

Beach City: This is a city located on the shores and is home to the Crystal Gems.

Crystal Gems: Group of gems founded by Rose Quartz. They want to protect Earth and have been called traitors by Homeworld gems.

Fusion: When two gems are both emotionally harmonious with each other, they become one gem. This can be achieved spontaneously or deliberately through a dance.

Gem: These are extraterrestrial beings with a gem core that projects a physical form around their gem. This physical form can be harmed, by which the gem will revert to being a stone. It takes upwards of a few weeks for a gem to regenerate their bodies (usually only a couple of seconds).

Gem Bubble: Crystal Gems use them to contain corrupted gem monsters, shards, or even other objects. It prevents the gem from regenerating and they lose all sense of time passing.

Homeworld: An empire consisting of gems governed by the Diamonds. Their goal was to expand the empire across the universe by establishing colonies on other planets and exploiting their resources.

Shard: Are the pieces of a gem once it's been shattered.

The Cluster: This is a collection of gem shards combined into one entity and is buried underneath the Earth's layers. A geo weapon that Yellow Diamond ordered to make to destroy the Earth.

The Diamonds: The Rulers of Homeworld. Conquers of the universe.

The Kindergarten: Located on Earth. Places created by Homeworld to drain the planet's resources and create gems. However, some gems can turn out defective.

The Rebellion/ Gem War: A war between the Crystal Gems and the Homeworld Gems over the fate of the planet Earth.

The Zoo: A human zoo organized by Homeworld Gems.



Topic Background

Eons ago, Homeworld gems discovered the planet Earth. The Diamond Authority entrusted the new colony with Pink Diamond, making it Pink's first colony. They originally planned to make Earth into a Gem breeding ground, but over time, Pink Diamond grew fondly of Earth. Pink Diamond knew there was no future for life on Earth under the Diamond Authority, staged a coup, and under the alias of Rose Quartz, she fought against her nation.

The Rebellion lasted 1,000 years and contained numerous casualties from both sides, the Crystal Gems, and the Homeworld Gems. The major death is Pink Diamond. Everyone believed that Rose Quartz shattered Pink Diamond, but in reality, with the help of Pearl, Pink Diamond faked her death, assumed the identity of Rose Quartz, and fled to Earth to live out her days in hiding, along with the rest of the Crystal Gems.

After the horrific news of Pink Diamond's death, the Diamond Authority planned to abandon Earth, deeming it a failed colony. However, in a last-ditch effort to avenge Pink Diamond, they blasted Earth with a laser in hopes of killing all remaining Gems. However, to ensure the permanent eradication of Earth, they forged a geo weapon utilizing forcefully fused shattered gems, known as the Cluster, and planted the Cluster beneath the Earth's crust.

Currently, the Cluster is still on Earth and has yet to form, but the cluster is causing earthquakes, indicating that it's almost ready to emerge from the Earth. The Crystal Gems defeated Malachite in the Watermelon Island incident, freeing Lapis and sending Jasper to the bottom of the ocean.



Committee Background

Steven and Connie are sitting atop the cliff overlooking the ocean as the sun is setting. Steven mentions the stress and pressure he has been feeling regarding his mom and the future of the planet. They continue their conversation until sundown, and as Connie gets up to leave, Steven doesn't. He says he wants to take in the scenery one last time and asks Connie to go down first. Connie complies, and as she is nearing the shore, she looks up and notices a figure behind Steven. In the blink of an eye, she sees Steven falling down the cliff and landing in the ocean. Instinctively, she rushes into the water to save Steven, but as she approaches the air bubbles, what resurfaces isn't Steven but rather his shattered gem. She looked up at the cliff once more to catch a glimpse of the perpetrator, but she was met with nothing. As Connie lamented over Steven's death, she was surrounded by the scent of fruit mixed with the ocean salt.

A few days later, the whole of Beach City, including the Crystal Gems, gathered at the shore to attend Steven's funeral. On Homeworld, the Diamonds caught wind of Steven's death, and now everyone knows about the death of Steven. It is imperative that the murderer is found, and universal peace is achieved.

Map







Position

1. Pearl (Crystal Gem)
2. Amethyst (Crystal Gem)
3. Ruby (Crystal Gem)
4. Sapphire (Crystal Gem)
5. Lapis (Neutral)
6. Peridot (Crystal Gem)
7. White Diamond (Homeworld Gem)
8. Blue Diamond (Homeworld Gem)
9. Yellow Diamond (Homeworld Gem)
10. Bismuth (Neutral)
11. Jasper (Homeworld Gem)
12. Eyeball (Homeworld Gem)
13. Connie (Crystal Gem)
14. Greg (Human)
15. Sadie (Human)
16. Lars (Human)
17. Onion (🍷)
18. Mayor Dewey (Human)



Recommended Resources

Summary:

- [https://steven-universe.fandom.com/wiki/Steven_Universe_\(TV_series\)#::~:~:text=In%20Steven%20Universe,just%20hanging%20out](https://steven-universe.fandom.com/wiki/Steven_Universe_(TV_series)#::~:~:text=In%20Steven%20Universe,just%20hanging%20out)

Characters/Groups:

- <https://steven-universe.fandom.com/wiki/Category:Groups>

Locations:

- <https://steven-universe.fandom.com/wiki/Category:Locations>

Timeline:

- https://steven-universe.fandom.com/wiki/Timeline#Present_Events

Objects/Weapons:

- <https://steven-universe.fandom.com/wiki/Category:Objects>

Fusion:

- https://steven-universe.fandom.com/wiki/Fusion_Gems



Questions to Consider

1. How to stop the cluster?
2. Does your character want to stop the cluster or are they indifferent?
3. How to find clues for Steven's murder?
4. Who are your allies/enemies?
5. Who are the potential suspects?
6. What motives does your character have for killing Steven?
7. What powers/abilities does your character have?



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