Steampunk Authors WebQuest

Intended Grade Level
8-10 Grade English

Summary
Students will go on a WebQuest to learn about Steampunk writing. They will each choose an author and research the author’s life, writing style, and work. Then the students will use this information to write a newspaper article about the author.

Standards
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.10
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.3
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.4
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.8
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.9-10.10
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.2
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.3
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.4
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.8

Notes
1. The computer lab or classroom set of laptops will be needed.
2. This would be a good opportunity to have students publish all their articles digitally or hard copy for the class.

Alternatives
1. To make the assignment more difficult, students can be asked to meet a word limit. This gives the assignment a more realistic feel.
2. Students could be assigned a specific type of article to write like a wedding announcement, obituary, personal ad, or local/national news.