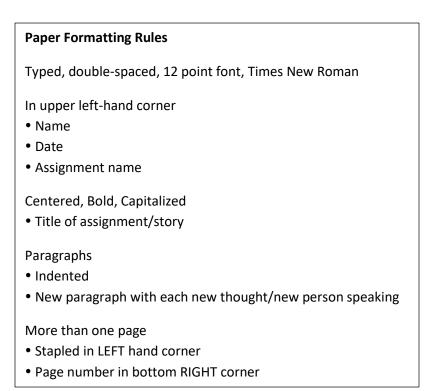


The rafflesia is the most massive stinking flower in the entire world. The bloom of this flower is almost three feet wide. It takes two years to form and stays open for one week. The rafflesia does not have any stems or leaves. Instead, it grows on the roots of other plants. The blooms of the flower give off a monstrous stink. Some people say it even smells like rotten meat. For this reason, some people call the rafflesia "corpse flower" or "stinking lily."



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