

Name: Flyer

COVERAGE – Ellen Fideli

<b>Reader:</b>	Ellen Fideli	<b>Overall:</b> unimpressed	<b>Characters:</b> fine <b>Dialogue:</b> slow <b>Premise:</b> fair <b>Plot:</b> fair
<b>Date:</b>	3/7/19	<b>Reader recommends:</b>	Characters: fine <b>Dialogue:</b> slow <b>Premise:</b> fair <b>Plot:</b> fair
<b>Title:</b>	Flyer	<b>Author:</b> James Stolz and Peter Doyle	Fair
<b>Submitted to:</b>	Kris Meyer	<b>from:</b>	Ellen Fideli
<b>Type of material &amp; draft date:</b>		<b>location:</b>	Dayton Ohio and Kitty Hawk, North Carolina
<b>Genre:</b>	Historical and period drama	<b>Circa:</b>	

Attachments: N/A

Logline:

- A true story, about the birthplace of airplanes and air transportation.
- Wilbur Wright and brother Orville Wright set out to Kitty Hawk to build and trial new “flying machines”, with the help of a young girl.

Brief:

- Wilbur and Orville Wright are the sibling duo, ready to make their dreams about flying come true. Wilbur, an assumed autistic 35 year old man, sets out on a journey to travel cross country in hope to build the first “flying machine”. After Wilbur leaves his tent at home, Orville has to give it to him. After staying with the Tate’s, and the help from twelve year old Freda Tate, the first airplane is born.

### Synopsis:

- *Flyer's* opening scene is the Apollo 11 space crash, then jumps to Dayton Ohio, the home of the Wright Brothers. Dreaming of creating the first "flying machine" Wilbur and Orville are the perfect sibling duo. "Wilbur is the dreamer, Orville the practical one". Wilbur will sketchup the drawings, of the soon to be known as planes, and Orville will calculate how the machine will fly.
- Being on the autism scale, Wilbur sends a letter to a family in Kitty Hawk asking for land to build an airplane. He chose this land in North Carolina since he needed "wind for flying", and soft sand for falling down."
- Once he receives a response, Wilbur Wright sets out, boarding a train to North Carolina. Orville lets him go on this two week journey alone, which has never happened for 35 year old Wilbur. In the Wright family Wilbur needs to be taken care of, even as an adult. So When Bishop Wright; Wilbur, Orville, and sister Katherine's father finds out he is extremely upset with Orville.
- Once Wilbur arrives to Kitty Hawk, Freda Tate is sent to pick him up, 12 years old and barefoot Freda proudly states that Wilbur will be using her family's land to fly. As the story goes on she develops a crush on Wilbur and asks to help him build this airplane.
- Back in Ohio, Orville realizes his brother forgot his tent, so he embarks on his journey to give it to his brother and eventually helps build the first flying machine.

### Comments:

- The screenplay was extremely boring, I literally only got to about page thirty when I had to put it down. Before finally saying goodbye, I read the screenplay twice through yawns.
- It was written in a very boring way. More telling rather than showing. It was hard to visualise the setting and characters since the dialect was so stale. Literally the most entertaining part was the stage commands.
- The cut from the train back to Dayton was confusing. I had to reread a few pages to understand that it was only Wilbur on the train. The cut back to Dayton was out of place in the scene and threw you into one in middle of Dayton Ohio. This would be very hard for the viewer to comprehend because if you are in the movie theaters you can't rewind or watch at your own pace.
- Spent more time trying to analyze and picture the movie then enjoy the screenplay.

- All In all I believe that the story of the Wright brothers would make a fantastic movie. But not this screenplay. If another piece was submitted to me with a more enthralling storyline then I believe it could make a great and interesting picture.
- Improvements:
  - Everything