**Short Story Unit Final Project**

This project requires you to dig into the stories that we have read. Your first step will be to select **one** of the short stories we have read to base your assignment on. You will have several options to choose from.

**Assignment Options:** *(Only choose one)*

1. Do a **character collage** to show the personality traits of one character from the story. Your collage needs to be accompanied by a paragraph explanation of why you chose all the items to represent the character. The collage should be well-detailed.
2. Draw a **detailed scene** from one part of the story. Make sure the scene’s elements are clearly depicted. Label the elements of the scene with quotes from the text to show where you got the idea for the different components of the picture.
3. Design a **book cover** for the short story based on a scene from the text. Pretend you are an artist for a publishing company and design both the front and back cover to include the title, author’s name and a summary of the story that will make people want to read the story.
4. Make a **travel brochure** inviting tourists to visit the setting of the story. Be creative about how you could encourage people to visit the place where the story takes place. Look for details from the story that will help you with your decisions. Be sure to include pictures and make this seem like an advertisement.
5. Write a **ballad** about the short story you chose. Go online to <http://www.powerpoetry.org/content/tips-writing-ballad-poem> to find out how to write a ballad and create your own poem. Make sure your ballad tells about the story’s events and its conflict. Add visual elements to illustrate your ballad.
6. Create a **comic strip** that illustrates the main events and conflict of the story. You may use quotes from the text or your own words, but make sure you stay true to the story. Make sure you label the comic strip carefully so it is clear what you are attempting to capture. If you want a comic strip template, you can go online to <http://donnayoung.org/art/comics.htm> to print one.
7. Create a **soundtrack** that could be used for the short story. Create a plot graph (story mountain) for the story that shows how the various events occur. Then assign each part of the story a different song (list the song title and artist that captures the feeling of the event and illustrates that part of the story. Explain why you have chosen that song for that part.
8. Design a **movie poster** to depict the theme of your short story. Pretend you have transformed your short story into a movie. You have to create a poster that captures what the movie is trying to convey (the theme). Cast the main roles, and choose a director. Include a paragraph explaining your reasoning for why you chose the cast and director that you did.
9. Rewrite the story as a simple **picture book** for a child. Use simple vocabulary and just focus on the main elements that convey the theme of the story. Make sure to include illustrations.
10. Propose your own option.

**Assessment:** See attached rubric.

**Due Date: April 18th, 2024 (start of class)**

