**Assignment**

A theme and character from *Romeo and Juliet* will be explored. The purpose of the assignment is to see how the character changed throughout the play within the chosen theme. Be as truthful as possible, but remember that all good writing includes some embellishment. Be true to the author’s intent for the theme while exhibiting imaginative thought.

**Standards Assessed**

R2 – Character Development

R3 – Point of View/Culture

R8 – Theme

L2 – Spelling

L1 – Grammar and Mechanics

SL1 – Present with Media

**Requirements**

* Choose at least one item from each genre (writing, creative, miscellaneous).
* Each piece must be thorough and show evidence that you spent considerable time.
* A presentation of the genres will be completed by each student at the end of the project.
* A progression of the character and theme from the first piece to the last is vital.
* The presentation must use media/technology in an innovative way.
* Proper spelling, grammar and mechanics are expected on all pieces.
* Project should be submitted neatly together in digital form. Do not send 2 emails and turn in a 3 on paper.

Sample:

**Theme –** Unrequited Love **Character –** Rosaline

*Writing Genre – Advice Column*

I would write a letter to Seventeen Magazine asking for advice on what to do when someone is in love with you and you don’t love them back. Then I would write a letter back giving advice to Rosaline and tell her what to do about Romeo. This would all take place BEFORE the play begins.

*Creative Genre – Create a missing scene / Comic Strip*

I would use a comic app like Comics Lite or website like Pixton to write a missing scene where Rosaline is complaining to her best friend about Romeo and how he always shows up to place she attends. It would be done in comic form, but still fit in with the story. This scene would be added to the play after the party scene in Act I.

*Miscellaneous Genre – Interview with a Character*

This interview would take place after the play ends and Romeo has died.

I would have Rosaline be interviewed by a local TV station at the “crime scene”. The interview would have her tell how she is so upset because Romeo had loved her first, and if she had returned his love she could be the one dead. Obviously this is embellished, but it fits with the intent of Shakespeare and follows the theme of unrequited love.

**Writing Genres – 1 page minimum**

Newspaper Article

Bedtime story

Book reviews

Modern Dialogue for an Act

Diaries or Journals

Letters

Love notes

Original Monologue

Obituaries

Sports Articles (fencing tourney)

Rewrite the ending

Create a missing scene

Autobiography of the character

Advice column

Campaign speech

Banishment note

Rewrite a scene with the setting in another time period

Write a blog   
Rewrite dialogue as text messages

**Creative Genres**

Podcast

Comics

Photo gallery/album w/explanation

Epilogues

Lyrics

Poems

Serenades

TV Commercials

Design Costumes w/ explanation

Act out a scene in front of the class

Record a scene and play for class

Memorize a dialogue and perform

Perform a missing scene

Book jacket

Map with a legend

CD playlist w/ cover & explanation

Theater program

Want ads

Wedding Invitations

Board Game

Collages

Reality TV Show

**Miscellaneous Genres**

Pamphlets

Graph/chart w/ explanation

Travel brochure and Travel logs

Wills

Interview with a character

Tweet an Act on Twitter

Menu with Grocery List and Recipes

Job application and Resume

Quiz w/ answer key must include level 1-4 questions