Formative Assessment

Task: Letter to Yourself

Aims

- develop the skills involved in listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing and presenting in a variety of contexts
- explore language through a variety of media and modes

Instructions: Write a letter to yourself at the end of the year. Considering our class discussions, you should clarify and define what will help or influence you as you continue to develop your identity this year. You will be graded on the following criteria:

Criterion B: Organizing

i. **employ** organizational structures that serve the context and intention

Achievement	Level Descriptor	Specific
Level		Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by	
	any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	i. makes minimal use of organizational structures,	
	though these may not always serve the context and	
	intention	
3-4	i. makes adequate use of organizational structures	
	that serve the context and intention	
5-6	i. makes competent use of organizational structures	
	that serve the context and intention	
7-8	i. makes sophisticated use of organizational structures	
	that serve the context and intention effectively	

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Criterion C: Producing text

iii. select relevant details and examples to support ideas.

Achievement Level	Level Descriptor	Specific Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	iii. selects few relevant details and examples to support ideas.	
3-4	iii. selects some relevant details and examples to support ideas.	
5-6	iii. selects sufficient relevant details and examples to support ideas	
7-8	iii. selects extensive relevant details and examples to support ideas	

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Criterion D: Using language

iii. use correct grammar, syntax and punctuationiv. spell (alphabetic languages), write (character languages) and pronounce with accuracy

Achievement Level	Level Descriptor	Specific Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by	
	any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with limited	
	accuracy; errors often hinder communication	
	iv. spells/writes and pronounces with limited	
	accuracy; errors often hinder communication	
3-4	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with some	
	degree of accuracy; errors sometimes hinder	
	communication	
	iv. spells/writes and pronounces with some degree of	
	accuracy; errors sometimes hinder communication	
5-6	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with a	
	considerable degree of accuracy; errors do not	
	hinder effective communication	
	iv. spells/writes and pronounces with a considerable	
	degree of accuracy; errors do not hinder effective	
	communication	
7-8	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with a high	
	degree of accuracy; errors are minor and	
	communication is effective	
	iv. spells/writes and pronounces with a high degree of	
	accuracy; errors are minor and communication is	
	effective	

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Task: Identity Reflection Journal

Aims

- develop the skills involved in listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing and presenting in a variety of contexts
- develop critical, creative and personal approaches to studying and analyzing literary and non-literary texts
- explore language through a variety of media and modes

Instructions: You will create an organized reflection journal as a record of all ideas your ideas collected over the course of the Identity unit. The journal needs to be organized by topic and allow your ideas to build on one another. Your organization should be logical to help you prepare thoughtfully for your summative assessment.

Criterion B: Organizing

ii. organize opinions and ideas in a logical manner

Achievement Level	Level Descriptor	Specific Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	ii. organizes opinions and ideas with a minimal degree of logic	
3-4	ii. organizes opinions and ideas with some degree of logic	
5-6	ii. organizes opinions and ideas in a logical manner, with ideas building on each other	
7-8	ii. effectively organizes opinions and ideas in a logical manner with ideas building on each other in a sophisticated way	

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Task: Annotation of Text

Aims

- use language as a vehicle for thought, creativity, reflection, learning, self-expression, analysis and social interaction
- develop the skills involved in listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing and presenting in a variety of contexts
- engage with text from different historical periods and a variety of cultures

Instructions: Annotate your thinking in the margins of the text as you read, using the ACTIVE reading method.

Criterion A: Analyzing

i. **identify** and **explain** the content, context, language, structure, technique and style of text(s) and the relationship among texts

Achievement Level	Level Descriptor	Specific Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	i. provides minimal identification or explanation of the content, context, language, structure, technique and style	
3-4	i. provides adequate identification and explanation of the content, context, language, structure, technique and style	
5-6	i. provides substantial identification and explanation of the content, context, language, structure, technique and style	
7-8	i. provides perceptive identification and explanation of the content, context, language, structure, technique and style	

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Summative Assessment

Task: Create a literary website to explore the concept of identity

Aims

- use language as a vehicle for thought, creativity, reflection, learning, self-expression, analysis and social interaction
- develop the skills involved in listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing and presenting in a variety of contexts
- develop critical, creative and personal approaches to studying and analyzing literary and non-literary texts
- explore and analyze aspects of personal, host and other cultures through literary and nonliterary texts
- explore language through a variety of media and modes
- apply linguistic and literary concepts and skills in a variety of authentic contexts.

Instructions:

Goal: Identify and explain an author's choices for characterization to create an identity for main characters in a novel through online written expression

Role: Book reviewer and literary critic for a student-created, online literary magazine

Audience: Academically minded students and adults who have read or might want to read about identity

Situation: Students have all read novels and poems as well as discussed their ideas about identity; they will write a literary journal to review and discuss how well the authors created an identity for each of the main characters.

Product: Create a website as a literary journal, using the best evidence from the text, analyze the quality of the identity of a character created by the author's choices in the novel, including any of the following:

- Personal attitudes
- Motivations
- Responses to external forces that shaped his or her identity
- Character Choices
- Literary choices (dialogue, point of view, omission, and/or thematic development)

Write your analysis discussing the methods the author has used to create that identity, using appropriate, varied adult vocabulary and literary terminology. For an essay, you will justify your analysis with evidence in both your own words and in quotation forms. For poetry, choose a key quotation from the book surrounding your section's main character and write a poem from that prompt about his or her identity.

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Criterion A: Analyzing

ii. identify and explain the effects of the creator's choices on an audience

iii. justify opinions and ideas, using examples, explanations and terminology

Achievement Level	Level Descriptor	Specific Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	ii. provides minimal identification and explanation of the effects of the creator's choices on an audience iii. rarely justifies opinions and ideas with examples or explanations; uses little or no terminology	
3-4	ii. provides adequate identification and explanation of the effects of the creator's choices on an audience iii. justifies opinions and ideas with some examples and explanations, though this may not be consistent; uses some terminology	
5-6	ii. provides substantial identification and explanation of the effects of the creator's choices on an audience iii. sufficiently justifies opinions and ideas with examples and explanations; uses accurate terminology	
7-8	ii. provides perceptive identification and explanation of the effects of the creator's choices on an audience iii. gives detailed justification of opinions and ideas with a range of examples, and thorough explanations; uses accurate terminology	

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Criterion C: Producing text

i. **produce** texts that demonstrate thought and imagination while exploring new perspectives and ideas arising from personal engagement with the creative process

iii. select relevant details and examples to support ideas.

Achievement	Level Descriptor	Specific
Level		Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by	
	any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	i. produces texts that demonstrate limited personal	
	engagement with the creative process; demonstrates a	
	limited degree of thought or imagination and minimal	
	exploration of new perspectives and ideas	
	iii. selects few relevant details and examples to	
	support ideas.	
3-4	i. produces texts that demonstrate adequate personal	
	engagement with the creative process; demonstrates	
	some thought or imagination and some exploration of	
	new perspectives and ideas	
	iii. selects some relevant details and examples to	
	support ideas.	
5-6	i. produces texts that demonstrate considerable	
	personal engagement with the creative process;	
	demonstrates considerable thought or imagination	
	and substantial exploration of new perspectives and	
	ideas	
	iii. selects sufficient relevant details and examples to	
	support ideas	
7-8	i. produces texts that demonstrate a high degree of	
	personal engagement with the creative process;	
	demonstrates a high degree of thought or imagination	
	and perceptive exploration of new perspectives and	
	ideas	
	iii. selects extensive relevant details and examples to	
	support ideas	

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Criterion D: Using language

i. **use** appropriate and varied vocabulary, sentence structures and forms of expression iii. **use** correct grammar, syntax and punctuation

Achievement	Level Descriptor	Specific Description
Level		Requirements
0	The student does not reach a standard described by	
	any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	i. uses a limited range of appropriate vocabulary and	
	forms of expression	
	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with limited	
	accuracy; errors often hinder communication	
3-4	i. uses an adequate range of appropriate vocabulary,	
	sentence structures and forms of expression	
	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with some	
	degree of accuracy; errors sometimes hinder	
	communication	
5-6	i. uses a varied range of appropriate vocabulary,	
	sentence structures and forms of expression	
	competently	
	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with a	
	considerable degree of accuracy; errors do not	
	hinder effective communication	
7-8	i. effectively uses a range of appropriate vocabulary,	
	sentence structures and forms of expression	
	iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with a high	
	degree of accuracy; errors are minor and	
	communication is effective	

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