

Digital Storytelling Assignment:

Now that you have finished your research paper, we are going to do something fun and creative with the information you found throughout your research! You will be creating a digital story that fits into the historical fiction genre, specifically the time period and place of the book that you read for your essay. In fact, your story will have its roots in this book, and the characters should stay true to form. Your knowledge of the time period should also be clearly reflected in the plot of the story.

Here are some ideas of how you might do that:

1. Write a short story that involves some of your book's characters and takes place before the action of the book begins.
2. Write a "Where are they now?" story that explores something that happens to one or more characters after the denouement of the book.
3. Take one small idea from the middle of your book and go on a brief tangent. In other words, fill in a gap from the plot line (or alter a minor plot line) in order to create a new story.
4. Presented one of the book's characters makes a decision that differs from what they actually do in the book. Turn what happens next into your story.
5. Other ideas? Great! Just run them by Ms. Lorey before you get started.

Remember, your audience has not read your book, so your new digital story should be able to either stand on its own, or you may need to spend thirty seconds before your actual story to give some background information in a creative way to fill you audience in!

Basic Requirements of this project:

- ✓ Before working with technology, create (and have Ms. Lorey approve) a story board- 12 frame minimum
- ✓ Story must connect to the book you read, but **MUST** be original (do not just summarize a portion of your book)
- ✓ Setting of your story must be the same as your book. Accurate historical details from your research **MUST** be incorporated
- ✓ Create a 2-5 minute digital story to present to the class.