

Digital Narrative Part 2: Family Stories

Goal:

For this second digital narrative project, you will be creating a video or podcast that features you and at least one other family member. This digital narrative will be a story (not an interview!) about your chosen family member.

The **story** should either be about:

- an aspect of your family member's identity (see notes from last semester)
 - Consider how the time period when the story takes place affects the experience

OR

- a form of persecution that a family member has overcome (consider our discussion about *Night* and *Exit West*)
 - Consider how the time period when the story takes place affects the experience

Process:

1. Choose a family member and decide what kind of story you would like to ask them about.
2. Compose questions that you can ask your family member about their story.
3. Talk with your family member and listen to their story. Record this conversation (digitally or can write a transcript as you talk or you can use Google's "Talk to Text" feature).
4. On your own, review the conversation you had with your family member.
5. Plot out their story on a plot chart (Exposition, initial incident, rising action, climax, falling action, resolution, and denouement). Consider if you want to tell the story in first, second, or third person POV. Remember, this is NOT an interview; you should take the raw interview material and transform it into a story.
6. You might check back in with your family member to show them the rough sketch that you have outlined for their story. Make sure that they are comfortable with how you are telling their story and which details you are emphasizing.
7. Compose a full script of the story.
8. Add your own reflection to the denouement: How do you, as a teenager in 2019, feel about/ think about this story?
9. Consider adding images, animations, sound effects, text, etc to enhance the story you are telling. Reflect on the videos and podcasts from last semester that really stood out to you. Push yourself to be more creative on this digital narrative!

See examples of digital stories on Google Classroom