Digital Narrative Part 2: Who Are Our Heroes?

For this digital narrative project, you will be working in groups of 2-3. With your group members you will explore what it means to be a hero for different age groups in our community.

- Your group should choose to create one of the episodes for our class podcast.
- Each episode should be 8-10 minutes.
- Each group member's voice should be included in the episode.
- Episodes 3-10 require the creators to (briefly) interview/ discuss this question with people from that age group (the more perspectives, the more thoughtful and interesting your episode will be!). Episodes 2-8 also should consider the required questions (see your groups' page below).
- Episodes 1-2 should cite 2+ outside sources (can be the videos/ podcast that we listened to in class or can be another credible source) and create a works cited page.
- Episodes 3-10 should cite all of the people that they interviewed for the episode and create a works cited page (<u>this webpage will show you what a personal interview citation should look like</u>).
- You are welcome to invite guest speakers to your episode too (but they must fit the topic). If you include any other speakers' voices in your episode, you must have them sign the consent forms (attached to the Google Classroom Post).
- Each episode should start out by introducing your topic(s) and the creators' names. Feel free to be as creative as you want with this!!
- On the chart below, sign up for the episode that you would like to create.
- Your group can choose any recording platform that you want. However, you must be able to share the completed file with your classmates. You will upload your completed file to the shared Google folder linked on your Episode Planning Page (below).

Podcast Inspiration

I filled in the first two boxes on this chart as an example. What other podcasts or digital "texts" (e.g., tutorial videos, entertainment videos, etc...) do you like that could be inspirational for this project? Share your thoughts in the space below. Feel free to add more boxes to this chart if necessary. Each group should add something to this chart.

Link to Professional Podcast	What do you like about this podcast?	What does this inspire you to do in your own podcast episode?
TED Radio Hour	I like how the host references and includes clips from five different perspectives on the same topic. This gives listeners a complex understanding of the topic, rather than just the host's personal opinion.	Include lots of different perspectives!
How I Built This	I like that this podcast has multiple voices (mostly the interviewer and the interviewee). This vocal variety keeps me interested as I listen.	I want to include clips from the person that I am interviewing in my podcast episode.

Season 1: Who are our heroes?		
Episode #	Focus of Episode	Creators (student names)
1	Introduction (what is the focus of this podcast?) The Hero's Journey	
2	Our community of Highland, IL	
3	Who are heroes for preschool-elementary school kids in Highland?	
4	Who are heroes for teenagers in Highland, IL?	
5	Who are heroes for 20-30 year olds Highland, IL?	
6	What are heroes for 30-40 year olds Highland, IL?	
7	Who are heroes for 40-50 year olds Highland, IL?	
8	Who are heroes for 50-60 year olds Highland, IL?	
9	Who are heroes for 60-70 year olds Highland, IL?	
10	Who are heroes for 70+ year olds Highland, IL?	

Season 2:		
Episode #	Focus of Episode	Creators (student names)
1	Generational Differences and Similarities	
2		
3		
4		
5		

Episode #1: Introduction

Outside source (<u>MLA Citation</u>)	Summary, Paraphrase, or Direct Quotes from this Source

Focus Questions:

What is the hero's journey?

Why are heroes important/ necessary for humanity?

Reflect on our American heroes today.

What do our modern American heroes reveal about our values as Americans?

Discuss why different generations might have different heroes.

Explain what season one of this podcast will do/ what the focus will be.

Upload your <u>audio file here</u>.

Episode #2: [Title]

Outside source (<u>MLA Citation</u>) OR Interview	Summary, Paraphrase, or Direct Quotes from this Source

Focus Questions:

What is our community like? (Consider the responses on the Shared Padlet) What is important to know about your town? What are some stories that reveal something about our community? What do people think about our community? How big is our town (Population)? Where's your favorite place to go here? What is the history of our town?

Episode #3: [Title]

Target Age Group: Preschooler and elementary Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

What does it mean to be a hero to you?

What influences this age group to have these heroes?

Do you think you're age group all have heros that are related to them?

Why?

Who is your hero?

Why do you consider this/these person/people your hero?

What are some of the good traits that you're hero has?

What is a good moment that you share with your hero if you have one?

Do you and you're heros have anything incommon?

Do you want to be like you hero?

Why?

[Develop your own questions for your interviewees]

Episode #4: [Title]

Target Age Group: Teens Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

What influences this age group to have these heroes?

What does this type of hero reveal about this age group's values?

What other beliefs about heroes does this age group have (i.e., do heroes have to have a specific identity?)

Have your life experiences influenced your hero?

Who is your hero?

Do you think your hero is different than other age group's heroes?

Do you think your hero is similar to other people's hero in your age group?

What does your hero say about you?

What do you and your hero have in common?

Do you and your hero have similar values?

[Develop your own questions for your interviewees]

Episode #5: [Title]

Target Age Group: 20-30 Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

What influences this age group to have these heroes?

What does this type of hero reveal about this age group's **values**?

What other beliefs about heroes does this age group have (i.e., do heroes have to have a specific identity?)

When did this individual become your hero?

How did this individual become your hero?

[Develop your own questions for your interviewees]

Episode #6: [Title]

Target Age Group: 30 to 40 year olds Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

What influences this age group to have these heroes?

What does this type of hero reveal about this age group's values?

What other beliefs about heroes does this age group have (i.e., do heroes have to have a specific identity?)

Who is your hero?

Why are they your hero?

What qualities made this person or character admirable?

Does your hero relate to your identity or life in any way?

How has your hero influenced your quality or way of life?

Do you know your hero personally?

What qualities do you believe that a hero needs to have? Upload your <u>audio file here.</u>

Episode #7: [Title]

Target Age Group: Adults (40-50 Years of Age) Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

What influences this age group to have these heroes?

What does this type of hero reveal about this age group's **values**?

What other beliefs about heroes does this age group have (i.e., do heroes have to have a specific identity?)

Episode #8: [Title]

Target Age Group: 50-60 year olds Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

- 1. What influences this age group to have these heroes?
- 2. What does this type of hero reveal about this age group's values?
- 3. What other beliefs about heroes does this age group have (i.e., do heroes have to have a specific identity?)
- 4. Are the heroes of this age group younger or older than themselves?
- 5. What is your definition of a hero?
- 6. How does your hero fit this description?

Episode #9: [Title]

Target Age Group: 60-70 year olds Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

What influences this age group to have these heroes?

What does this type of hero reveal about this age group's values?

What other beliefs about heroes does this age group have (i.e., do heroes have to have a specific identity?)

Does their hero reflect how this age group's upbringing?

How does this age groups' heros differ from ours?

Do these values match what is stereotypical for this generation?

What physical characteristics define this hero? Is there any correlation in these traits?

What makes your hero stand out?

Do you think other generations would agree that this is a good hero?

Do you think this hero is real?

What would you say to your hero if given the chance?

[Develop your own questions for your interviewees]

Upload your <u>audio file here</u>.

Episode #10: [Title]

Target Age Group: Interviewees:

Name	How do you know this person?

Interview Questions:

What influences this age group to have these heroes?

What does this type of hero reveal about this age group's **values**?

What other beliefs about heroes does this age group have (i.e., do heroes have to have a specific identity?)

[Develop your own questions for your interviewees]