Tech Theatre Tool Kit
Sound Design
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Sound Design Unit - 3 Weeks

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Begin by viewing the Ted Talk video:

“To Walk a Mile in My Shoes You Must First Take Off Your Own” by Okieriete Onaodowan - TEDxPaloAlto
https://youtu.be/7mlV_bSBUi0

Discussion questions

- **Who are you?**
- **What do you represent?**
- **What has helped mold you into what you are today?**
- **Where will these shoes take you from here?**
Walk a Mile in My Shoes -

https://youtu.be/7mlV_bSBUi0
Mile in My Shoes - Prep

Overview

● Select a shoe that best represents your style.
● You will have 1 week to complete the following:
  1. Decorate your shoe to represent who you are.
  2. Create a personal narrative to describe your shoe.
● * What does a day in your life sound like?
Where to find Shoe Templates -

Via Google -
Search Shoe Coloring Pages
   When you search - be specific
      IE - Nike Shoe Coloring Page, High Heel Shoe Coloring Page etc.

Once you have selected your template - print it out and begin designing.
   What you can use:
      Colors, Markers, Glitter, Hotglue, Images, material types etc.

There are no limitations to what you can attach to your shoe. We want these to be dynamic and colorful. Use the entire shoe to represent who you are!
Presentation Dialogue

Things to include:

- Name.
- What does your name mean or why was this name chosen for you?
- Birth Day and year.
- Where you were born.
- Where you live now.
- How you came to live where you are now.
- Family influences: Parents, Siblings, Extended family, Friends
- How have those around you impacted your life?
- Things you are interested in or activities you participate in.
The next section of the project will require you to record sounds you hear throughout the day. We will edit these and underscore your presentation.

From the moment you wake-up - what does a day in your life sound like?
How to record your life’s soundtrack

Cell Phone

Use the voice recording feature on your phone to capture sound bytes of the world around you. Think about the small things:
- Alarm sounds
- Cereal hitting the bowl
- The bus brakes squeaking.

Audacity

Audacity is a free music editing software that you can use to edit your tracks together.

If you already have a program you like to use, like Garageband, you are welcome to use that.
Think of your narrative and what it would sound like if we were watching it as it happened.

What you reference in your dialogue should be heard in the background of your presentation.

You will have three days to record your sound clips and two days to edit them together while memorizing your dialogue.
Tips on Editing

- No scripted or performed music
- Keep ambient sounds low so they don't over power your words
- Moments of silence should be used sparingly
- Find breaks in your narrative to showcase specific sounds
  - **Shower turns on** - “I like to start each day with a shower to wake me up”.
  - “Cinnamon toast crunch is my favorite breakfast” - **Cereal being poured into a bowl then milk is added**.
  - “I dread going to third period because I'm terrible at math” - **school bell rings and hallway sounds are heard**.
- Overlap sounds so that there is no break in the background.
- Be Creative!

If you are stuck, please ask for help and describe what you are trying to achieve. It will work best if you plan these out ahead of time in a script format.
Presentations

Must haves:
1. Completed shoe design
2. 3-5 minute narrative
3. Ambient sounds that match the narrative
4. Professional dress
5. A classmate who can run the sound for your presentation
Add to your Drive

- Upload a photo of your shoe design.
- Upload your audio track to YouTube. If you do not have a YouTube channel, I can upload for you on the department’s page.
- Upload your YouTube link to the presentation.