**Multimodal Presentation: 1-3 Minutes**

Create a multimodal representation of any aspect of the topic you would like to explore that relates to your paper. **The presentation MUST NOT EXCEED 3 MINUTES.** You will also write a 500-word proposal about what the presentation is about and why you are choosing to represent you topic in this way.

Multimodal simply means that you will be using **at least three** of the following modes of communication:

**Verbal/Linguistic (words, spoken or written)**

Examples: Points written on a slide as the speaker explains the information

A poem written and recited on the topic.

A girl last semester wrote a poem that she then performed as spoken word over a video that she made on the topic. (She had visual, aural and linguistic modes at work).

**Aural/Sound (music/sound effects/even tone of voice, rhythm or cadence of language)**

Examples: Music set to pictures or presentation slides used to create mood for the audience.

A poem about the topic set to music or a song about the topic.

**Visual/Images (pictures, color, even texture, font choice, presentation of an object altered in some way to demonstrate the topic)**

Examples: A photo collage showing the key issues related to the topic

A video that shows the key issues related to the topic.

**Spatial/Gesture (body presented in space/also how objects are used in space)**

Example: A performance of some sort as in a dance or use of a prop to convey a message about the topic. Also, body language is considered a communicator in this category.

One semester a guy who was a body builder brought in a big cup and wrote body building on the outside. He then made several pieces of paper that had different words printed on them, each being an important aspect of the body building culture. He dropped each word into the cup and explained each one. Then he shook it all up to show how all of these things combine to make this lifestyle. He was even wearing a shirt that represented his topic: Just DO IT.

Another memorable presentation was when a girl wrote words on pieces of paper and assigned each word to a piece on a chessboard. She then explained how chess represents personalities and life issues based on the words that were more surface-level things (the pawns) versus words like family, health, and education that were reserved for the more important pieces of the game like the king and queen because those are the things in life that we should try to protect.

**Olfactory/Taste (smells/flavors)**

Jelly bean example

**What can it be? Well, a LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS.**

Your presentation can be a 1-2 minute **video, a collage** (on a small poster board or piece of construction paper or a digital collage), a photo collage of some sort, a PowerPoint presentation (up to 5 slides), a painting, a sculpture, a performance, or some other visual representation of the topic you are exploring.

There are many other platforms for presentations besides PowerPoint that I urge you to consider. Haiku Deck is a great presentation app for iPad users. Prezi is a more visually interesting presentation

Any digital collage software app could be used to create a interesting visual presentation for this assignment. The idea is to create something yourself or to alter an object enough to make it your own creation that demonstrates the important areas of interest for the topic you have chosen. A Pinterest board would work if you had at least 10 pins and you wrote a description for each. You could use a photo if you added to it and/or changed it in some significant way.

**Be creative and bring your project to class.**

**The more original the better.**

**Take your own pictures, write your own music, write your own words, shoot your own video.**

You may not just bring in an object, but you can bring an object that you have altered in some way for the assignment. For example, you could bring in a basketball with words written on it.