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The Odyssey Creative Project

Due Date: _____

Objective: *The Odyssey* is an epic poem centered on Odysseus, a hero who finds himself caught in “twists and turns” during his 10-year journey back home, Ithaca. You will practice writing concise and descriptive poetry, much like the verse in Homer’s work, by

- 1.) designing and decorating an album cover about your “journey” and
- 2.) writing two songs about your “journey” in this album.

Requirements: Album

- an album title
- decorated physical album. You may, of course, start with a digital version of the album, but you must turn in a physical copy. Use whatever crafts or software you can to creatively capture the theme (your journey). Take a look at your favorite musical albums for inspiration.
- 8 or more song titles that capture your journey in life. These should be placed on the back of the album. The song titles must be descriptive, concise (6 words or less) and thoughtful. The theme must focus on your journey, but how you present this journey through song titles is completely up to you. (Titles based on chronology? Important people in your life? Major life events? Scars? Embarrassing memories?)

Examples:

I Am Born

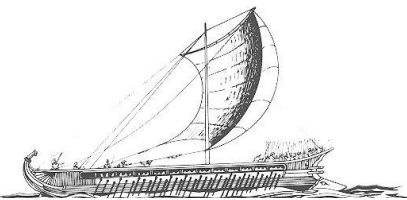
WEAK

Green Room Hideout

STRONG

Songs

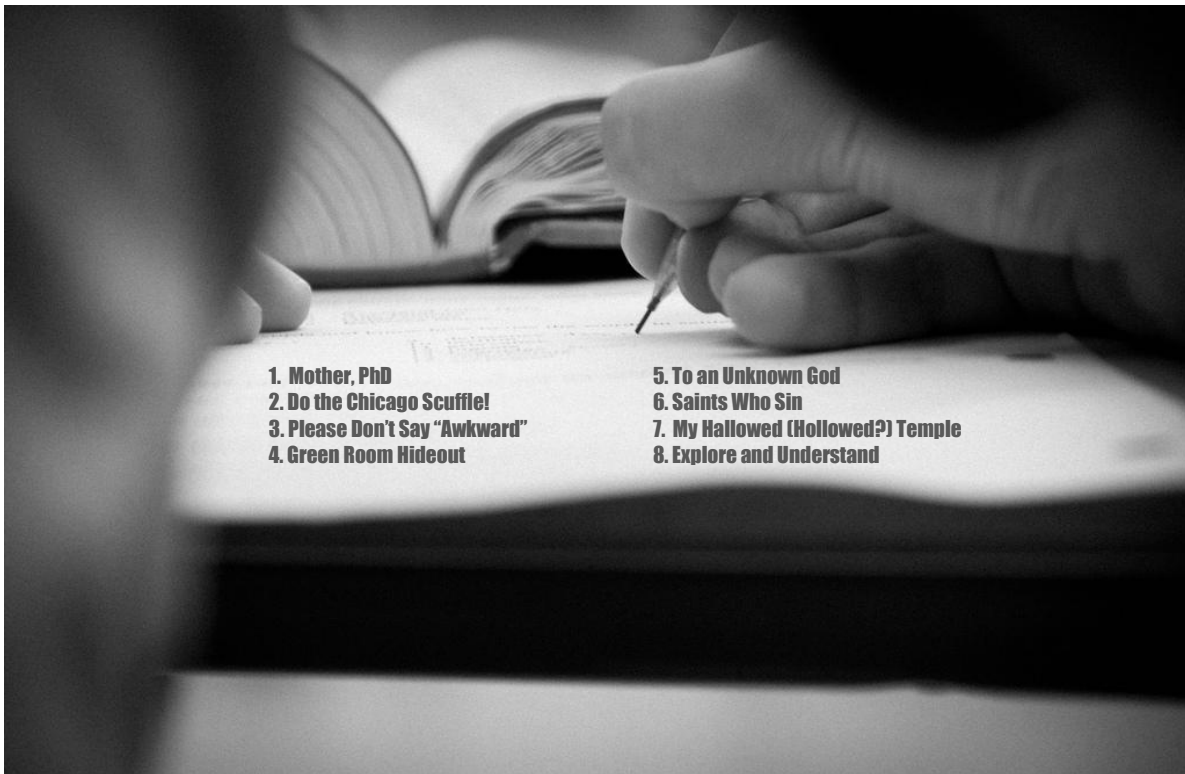
- Choose 2 song titles from your album cover and compose 2 complete songs/poems that are 10+ lines.
- Must capture the theme in concise and descriptive language
- Typed and edited for grammar, spelling, clarity and concision



Sample Front Cover



Sample Back Cover



Grading: Closely read over all the requirements listed below.

100 points total

Album	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is there serious thought put into the album title and artwork? Do the title and artwork fit the theme?• Is there a front and back album cover?• Are there 8+ song titles in the back cover?	30 points
Songs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Are there two songs? Do the songs fit the theme?• Are the songs carefully worded? Descriptive? Concise? Edited for spelling, grammar and punctuation errors?• Do the songs create concrete images or feelings in the reader's mind?	60 points
Creativity/ Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How much effort was put into designing and creating the album cover, song titles and song lyrics?• Does the project, in its entirety, offer fresh ideas about the theme?• Do the album and songs impress the reader?	10 points