

Capstone Project Planning: Combining Poetry and Speech

Name: _____ Date: _____

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

The student will plan a final capstone piece that combines an original poem with a short speech introducing and explaining it.

MATERIALS NEEDED

- paper
- index cards
- poster board or large paper (optional)
- colored pencils
- ruler

HANDS-ON ACTIVITY

1. Choose a personal theme (an experience, belief, or issue you care about) that will connect your capstone poem and speech.
2. Draft your capstone poem (12+ lines) using at least two poetic techniques learned this quarter (a sound device, figurative language, or a specific form).
3. Write a 1-minute introduction speech that explains why you chose this theme and what you want the audience to feel or understand.
4. Sketch a simple storyboard on paper showing the order of your presentation: intro speech, poem reading, closing thought.
5. Create a title card or small poster for your capstone piece using colored pencils, including the title and your name.

QUESTIONS

1. What personal theme did you choose, and why does it matter to you?
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2. Which two poetic techniques from this quarter did you use in your capstone poem?
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3. Summarize your storyboard order in three steps.
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4. What do you want your audience to feel or understand by the end of your presentation?
