

Realism and Facebook Assignment Sheet

Directions: Using the WHOLE SHEET of butcher paper given to you, do the following:

1. Create a Facebook page from the point of view of your main character. Model the template after your own Facebook page.
2. Mostly I want you to BE CREATIVE, so you have control over where you put the following pieces of information (profile, posts/comments/likes....wherever). Just make sure they are labeled as directed so that I can find them easily:

- 5 pieces of information about the main character-inferred from reading or directly from the text (label with asterisks*)
- 2 other characters from your book
- 8-10 **main events** from the story (number with small superscript)
- The **characteristics of Realism**. Insert in a way the fits with the rest of the project...aka, blend into a conversation or something (underline the traits)
- Include **two** writers from the Realism time period into your project
- What **archetype** your character fits into: hero/heroine/ trickster/faithful companion/outsider/outcast/rugged individualist/ innocent/ villain/caretaker/ Earth mother/ rebel/misfit/lonely orphan looking for a home (put a bracket around this)
- A major **theme** of your story. Remember, a theme is a message about life (circle this). More help on this below if you need ideas.
- Be creative! Feel free to add unexpected style elements to your project

These are some major topics that turn up in American literature. If you figure out what your book is trying to say about one of these topics, then you are starting to figure out the story's theme. For example:

Topic: the American Dream

Possible Themes: The American dream is achievable.

The American Dream is just that-an unattainable dream

More topics:

- loss of innocence
- coming of age
- relationship with nature
- relationship with society
- relationship with science
- alienation and isolation
- survival of the fittest
- disillusionment
- rebellion and protest