The Harmony of War - The music of war and war protest

In this project, you and your partner are to fashion a slide show or video set to music. You may use one of the songs that we heard in class or you may get one approved by your teacher. In any case, as you set the pictures to music try to be very conscious of the following:

- You should have at least 10 pictures per minute (though it can be less if you do something with text animation)
- □ Your pictures should very closely follow the words and/or music in some meaningful way (in other words the pictures should illuminate the words not simply be somehow related to them)
- □ You should have no pictures that are offensive (though I am aware that war can offensive in itself) either with graphic gore or with nudity

If you are making a video, then you are on your own (technically speaking) if you are using PowerPoint to create a slideshow, the rest of this handout will give you an idea of how to get started.

Begin by finding your pictures, you may either scan these from "paper" sources or you may get them on the Internet. One way to get them on the Internet is to use a web browser, find a picture, and "right-click" on the picture – this will bring up the save feature. A good search engine may be found at www.google.com. Be sure to include the word "image" in your keyword search. A good site for searching for pictures on the net is at http://multimedia.lycos.com/.

Save the pictures on a floppy disk (make sure it's been scanned first for viruses). Of course you may use the computers in Room 208. They are available 7:00 a.m. through 8th period with the exception of 4th (but they are available 4th on Thursdays as well).

Once you have your pictures, you may wish to crop or otherwise edit them using a program such as Paintshop Pro (found on all of our computers). Think about how you want the pictures to fit on your slide (when using PowerPoint).

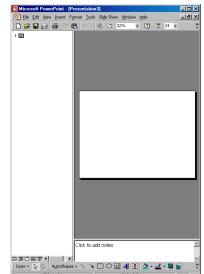
Once you are in PowerPoint, choose to create a new presentation. Then click on the blank slide (nothing on it) icon. If you want to insert a picture, click on Insert, then Picture from file. Fill in the location (such as your floppy "a:") and it will insert the picture. Position the picture where you want it on the slide.

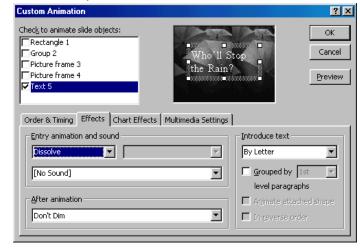
To add sound (you should add it to your first slide) go to Insert, then Insert Movies and Sounds, and then Sound from File. Again, give it the proper location (the songs can be found on the computer named Shakespeare, in the C drive, in

Program Files, in Napster, in the music subfolder.)

To insert text, click on Insert then text box. To animate text after you entered it, click on Slide Show (on the top menu) and then Custom Animation. This will bring up the dialogue box on the right. This is also the place to arrange which effect you want to occur first on a slide and how you want the effect to look. Make sure effects fit the words.

To insert a new slide, click on Insert, then New Slide. To indicate how long you want a slide to last and what transition effect you want it to appear with click on Slide Show, then Slide Transition.





If you get lost or confused, click on Help at any time and search for an answer or find Mr. Scotese or someone else who knows the software. These projects on due January 12, 2000