**American Literary Movements Project**

**Due August 27th**

**50 Points**

**Assignment:** Your group will be responsible for researching one, assigned Literary Movement and then creating a presentation for the class in which you teach your peers about the movement.

Your project should include the following information:

1. Definition and explanation of the movement
2. Major tenets/aspects of the movement
3. Famous authors/writers of the period
4. The writing style/themes of the movement
5. Famous books written during the period
6. Societal Influences/Context

You do NOT need to write an essay or turn in your research; however, you are REQUIRED to create a visual presentation, which you will use to teach the class about your movement. Your visual should include the most important information, as well as pictures and any other images that are appropriate or related to your topic. It should be neat, organized, and thorough.

You will need to be thoroughly informed about your assignment because your peers or I may ask you questions which you should be able to answer. You will be graded on the content of your presentation, as well the visual itself.

**Major American Literary Movements:**

Revolutionary / Age of Reason (1750-1800)

Romanticism (1800-1860) / Transcendentalism (1840-1860)

Realism / Naturalism (1860-1910)

Modern (1914-1950), including Lost Generation (1920-1930s)

Harlem Renaissance (1920s)

Post-Modern/Contemporary (1950s-Present)

**Project Rubric**

**Content**

**Does the group have thorough information about each of the following areas related to their topic.**

1. Definition and explanation of the movement
2. Major tenets/aspects of the movement
3. Famous authors/books of the period
4. The writing style/themes of the movement
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**Visual**

**Is the visual aspect of the project thorough, neat, and organized?**

**Does it include elements from each of the 5 content focus areas?**

**Are their images and important words that stand out and help the audience to better understand the topic?**

**Presentation**

**Did each member of the group act “professionally” and respectfully during the presentation?**

**Did the presenter(s) speak clearly and thoroughly regarding the content?**

**Was all the important content presented?**

**Did the presenter(s) seem well informed and knowledgeable about the topic?**

**Were all group members able to answer questions about the subject?**

**Was any information missing from the presentation?**

**Project Grading**

Content-

1. Definition and explanation of the movement /5
2. Major tenets/aspects of the movement /5
3. Famous authors/books of the period /5
4. The writing style/themes of the movement /5
5. Societal Influence/context /5

**TOTAL /25**

Visual and presentation-

Is the visual aspect of the project thorough, neat, and organized? /5

Does it include elements from each of the 5 content focus areas? /5

Images and important words stand out? Help the audience to understand the topic? /5

Each member of the group act “professionally” and respectfully during the presentation?

Did the presenter(s) speak clearly and thoroughly regarding the content? /5

Did the presenter(s) seem well informed and knowledgeable about the topic? All group members able to answer questions about the subject?

/5

Was any information missing from the presentation?

**TOTAL /25**

**PROJECT TOTAL /50**