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Collegiate High School Program - ELA I
Mr. Paul Pérez-Jiménez
THE MANDALA SMART GOALS PROJECT,
PRESENTATION, & EXPOSITORY ESSAY
Worth: 200 points

A mandala is a wondrous and meaningful design made in the form of a circle to represent the harmony and wholeness of life or the wholeness of a person. Over the past 2,000 years, mandalas have become a tool for displaying individual and cultural uniqueness. To make this version of a mandala, begin by thinking of symbols that represent your SMART goals (refer to ppt SMART goals). These symbols might include your favorite college building to symbolize the college you plan to attend, a heart to represent love or the marriage you hope to attain, or an open hand to represent all the friends you plan on making. The symbols a person chooses are then carefully drawn into the mandala.

The shape of a mandala is a circle because a circle is the most simple and universal shape found in the world. It is the form of the eye, the sun, and a snowflake. Also, since there is always a center to a circle, as you look at a mandala, it exercises your mind and draws you into the center of yourself or the topic of your goals.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1). For the 1.3a assignment, on the Rough Draft Template, brainstorm and plan your Mandala. Briefly explain your planned goals (diagram with explanation).
 - WORTH: 25 points
 - DUE: Friday, August 31st, 2018
- 2). For the 1.3b assignment, on butcher paper create your own mandala that represents YOU. Your mandala should be colorful, creative, and include at least 6 symbols that represent your long-term goals and 2 that represent your short-term goals in your English classroom (drawn, sketches).
 - WORTH: 50 points
 - DUE: Friday, September 14th, 2018
- 3). For 1.3c assignment, present a two-minute speech explaining your mandala project and possible essay's content.
 - WORTH: 50 points
 - DUE: Friday September 14th, 2018
- 4). For 1.3d, based on your Mandala and this six week's lessons on the writing process, answer the following expository prompt:
 - WORTH: 75 points
 - DUE: Friday October 1st, 2018

A person does not simply receive his or her identity. Identity is much more than the features one is born with. True identity is something people must create for themselves by making choices that are significant and that require a courageous commitment in the face of challenges. Identity means having ideas and values that one lives by.

-Thomas Merton, from *Contemplation in a World of Action*

- Think: Decide whether one's identity is something people are born with, given an identity by relatives or their environment, or whether people create their own identities through their set goals.
- Write: Using examples from your mandala, literature, history, science, film, or your own experiences, write an essay in which you develop your point of view as to whether identity is something people are born with or given, or if identity is something people create for themselves.

Use the following templates for your work.

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Mandala Goal Project

Grading Rubric for 1.3a-1.3d

Requirements	Self-Evaluation (points you feel you earned)	Teacher's Evaluation (Mandala points earned)
Rough Draft (1.3a)	_____/25 points	_____/25 points
MANDALA (1.3b) 1). Created a circular mandala using <input type="checkbox"/> Poster board or <input type="checkbox"/> Butcher paper	_____/5 points	_____/5 points
2). Included symbols that include at least 6 unique long-term goals & 2 SMART short-term goals (drawn, no photos).	_____/25 points	_____/25 points
3). END PRODUCT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • final mandala is neat and creative • final mandala is colorful • symbols come together to demonstrate unity or wholeness • time and effort are evident • 6 long term & 2 short term (this year) goals 	_____/20 points	_____/20 points
ORAL PRESENTATION (1.3c) <input type="checkbox"/> Re- introduced yourself to the class <input type="checkbox"/> Explained significance of mandala <input type="checkbox"/> Made eye contact <input type="checkbox"/> Spoke clearly (volume and speed) At least 2 minutes in length	_____/40 points	_____/40 points
TOTALS:		
Rough Draft	_____/25 points	_____/25 points
Mandala	_____/50 points	_____/50 points
Oral Presentation	_____/40 points	_____/40 points
Expository Essay	_____/85 points	_____/85 points
Totals:	Total Points you feel you earned _____/200 points	Total points Earned _____/200 points

1). Explain one positive aspect of your presentation.

2). Explain one way you could have improved your presentation.

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ROUGH DRAFT TEMPLATE 1.3a

DUE 8/31/2018

SYMBOLS IN MY LIFE

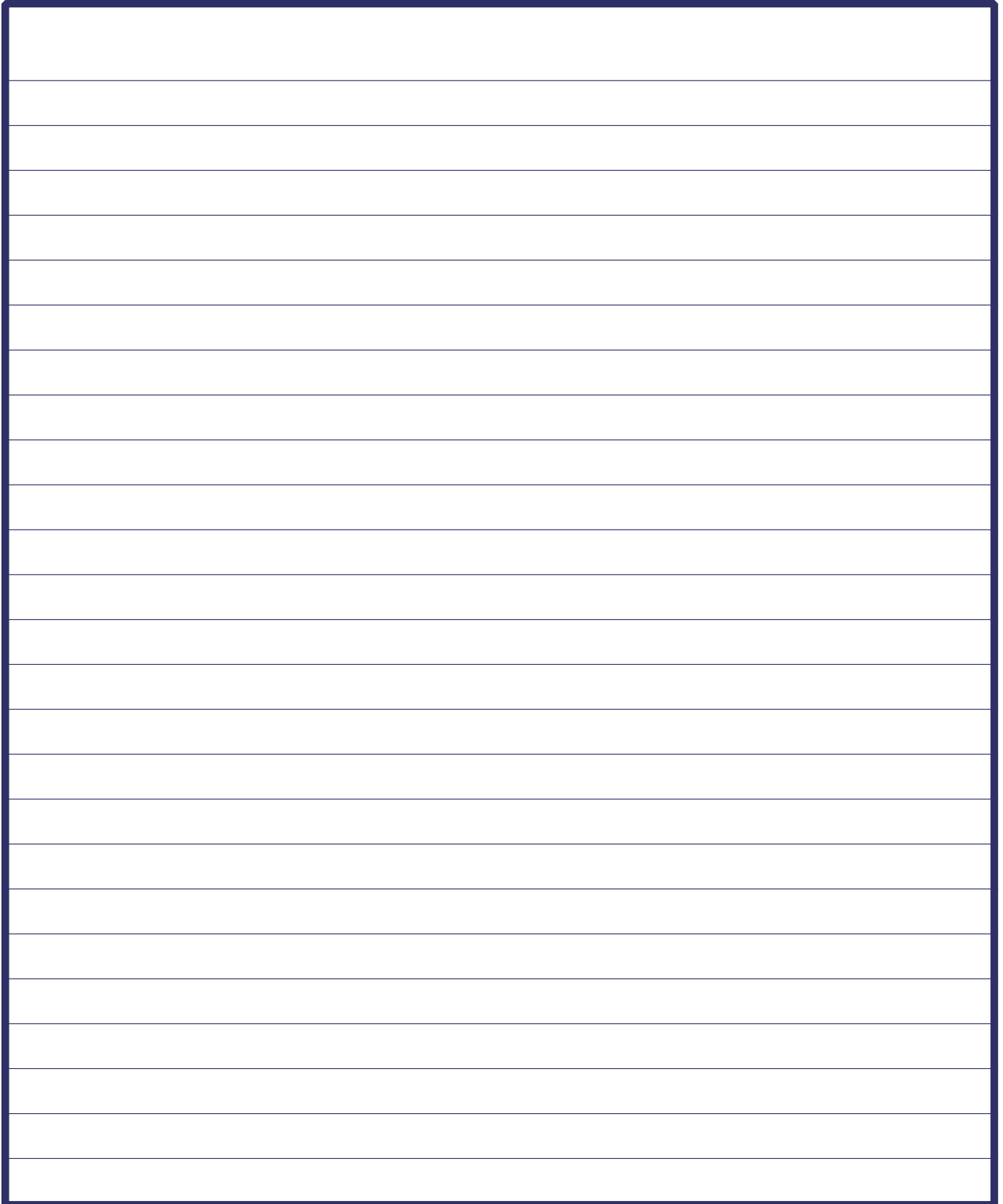
	Unique Symbols (or word)	Symbols (drawing) Long Term	Meaning in your life (why it is important in your life) or explanation
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
	Unique Word	Smart Goal (symbol or drawing) Short term	explanation
1			
2			

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Mandala Expository Essay 1.3d

Due 10/01/18

STAAR WRITTEN COMPOSITIONS
EXAMPLE OF LINED PAGE



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