Characterization Project

English 10 (Literary Studies/Composition)

When developing characters, authors avoid the stick figure. Rather, they work to create rich, complex characters that experience both inner and outer conflicts with their environment. For this assignment**, your task is to analyze one complex character (animal) Richard Wagamese’s “The Animal People Choose a Leader”**. **First, you must analyze your characters’ indirect characterization**. **Second, you must choose a creative project to express who this character is.** You must include all of elements of indirect characterization—what the character does, feels, looks, and says.

**Direct Characterization** *tells* the audience what the personality of the character is.

**Indirect Characterization** *shows* things that reveal the personality of a character. There are five different methods of indirect characterization

**Step one**: analyze your character using the STEAL method as demonstrated from “I Am Not A Number”. Use exact quotes from the story and what does is mean about your characters (use the chart on the next page to begin). Within each aspect of Indirect Characterization you should have adjectives (3-5) that describe the character as demonstrated by that action, thought, effect on others, looks, and speech.

**Step two**: the digital presentation. I recommend Prezi, but Piktochart/infographic is another valuable tool.

* You must have at least 5 quotes to support adjectives (5+)
* You should add visuals that reflect your character and their journey
* You must connect to at least one Aboriginal Ways of Knowing and Being (AWOKB) and explain with examples from the story.
* You must connect to at least one core competency, and explain with evidence from the story.
* **Step Three:** The character sketch paragraph. This is a written analysis of your character, like the practice on we did in class. A paragraph that explains and infers more about the character (character sketch paragraph, like the practice on in class).

**Step Four**: Post to blog

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**Character: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Story:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Type of Indirect**  **Characterization**  **(include adjectives here that describes the character)** | **Examples** | **Explanation** |
| **Speech** |  |  |
| **Thoughts** |  |  |
| **Effect on Others** |  |  |
| **Actions** |  |  |
| **Looks** |  |  |