

2012

Your assignment:

- Select a theme around one of the principles that you adhere to.
- Write a thesis statement in critical voice. Set it up on a title page.
- Select 10-15 pictures that say something about the theme. You can take your own pictures if you wish.
- Try to achieve unity of purpose and style
- Add a caption or an explanatory sentence to each picture.
- Find a poem that expresses the same theme. Do not choose the pictures to tell the plot of the poem. This essay is not to tell the plot of the poem.
- Put it all together in a PowerPoint presentation, or on a bristol board
- Last slide: -bibliographic entry for the poem and the pictures. If you have taken the pictures yourself, credit yourself. (bibme.org).

Photo Essay Rubric

English 20

limited clarity (focus, purpose and creativity)

[20-40]

some clarity (focus, purpose and creativity)

[40-60]

competent level of clarity of focus, purpose and creativity

[60-80]

perceptive level of focus, purpose and creativity

[80-90]

insightful level of focus, purpose and creativity

[90-100]

- Thesis is clear and stylistically sound
- Principle chosen is examined in depth
- Still images are relevant and striking.
- Visual elements and principles are clearly attended to.
- Captions explain the still and develop the idea (do not use quotations)
- Still images insightfully develop the thesis
- Poem speaks to the principle
- Essay is aesthetically pleasing
- Presentation does not simply relay the plot of the poem
- Thesis/theme is carried through the pictures—not the captions.