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| We Miss You! Be Safe! See you soon! HLMS MIGHTY EAGLESMovie Review Monday Tell me about a movie, television show, or a video game you have recently played or watched. Movies can be from Hulu, Netflix, Disney +, or regular television.  **CREATIVE WRITING:**  Satire is a technique employed by writers to expose and criticize foolishness and corruption of an individual or a society, by using humor, irony, exaggeration, or ridicule. It intends to improve humanity by criticizing its follies. A writer in a satire uses fictional characters, which stand for real people, to expose and condemn their corruption.    A writer may point a satire toward a person, a country, or even the entire world. Usually, a satire is a comical piece of writing which makes fun of an individual or a society, to expose its stupidity and shortcomings. In addition, he hopes that those he criticizes will improve their characters by overcoming their weaknesses.  Examples of satire are political cartoons, or even television shows like Saturday Night Live (look at totinos Super Bowl ad SNL, Star Wars Toys SNL, or President Barbie SNL).  A writer takes something currently happening in the world and makes it exaggerated so much that its comical! Another great example is Epic Rap Battles of History on YouTube. (Go look it up!)  This time I am not giving you a sentence starter, but instead I want you to draw a cartoon, write a comic strip, create a short skit, or you can also write a short story. Use satire to explain our current economic situation. (Use Covid19, the economy, school ending, or any current event for inspiration.)  PLEASE send these to me!! I can't wait to see what you come up with!  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | <https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=dvr2n9q8t3I&feature=youtu.be>  Now, click on the link above and listen to the song. Zoom in on one specific line from that song. Set a timer for 3 minutes and write.        “May Day” by Sara Teasdale   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | |  |  | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  | | --- | | A delicate fabric of bird song  Floats in the air,  The smell of wet wild earth  Is everywhere.   Red small leaves of the maple  Are clenched like a hand,  Like girls at their first communion  The pear trees stand.   Oh I must pass nothing by  Without loving it much,  The raindrop try with my lips,  The grass with my touch;   For how can I be sure  I shall see again  The world on the first of May  Shining after the rain? | | |  “The First of May”By The Bee Gees *Read the poem below. Zoom in on one specific line from that poem. Set a timer for 3 minutes and write.* | |
| **What’s Going on in the World Wednesday** | | |
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| Easy DIY Mother’s Day 2020 gifts you can make while in quarantine By Hannah Frishberg April 27, 2020 | 6:37pm    Many Americans will spend this Mother’s Day — Sunday, May 10 — in quarantine, but professional crafters say you likely don’t even need to leave the house to make Mom a sweet gift.“She’s not gonna want you to put yourself at risk in order to do something nice for her, especially given the circumstances,” Bushwick-based miniaturist and performance artist Heather Morowitz tells The Post. With some basic art supplies and knick-knacks from around your home, you can craft something special without even making any online orders.  The first step is taking a look around with Mom in mind.“By this point you’re probably pretty familiar with the interior of your home,” says Morowitz. “Start collecting any little items you might have and get them all in one place, and then you can get creative,” says Morowitz, who identifies as a “hot-glue guru.”  Many households already have obvious art tools like scissors and glue as well as empty food packaging — milk cartons, paper bags and bottles — which, when paired with a small sentimental object, can be used to make an array of giftable items.“So long as there’s one thing in there that’s very special to you that you can give back to your mother, that’s really all you need,” says Morowitz.  Here’s how to make a few quick but meaningful gifts for Mom.  **Necklaces** are likely the simplest to make in terms of jewelry crafting, artist Tara McManus tells The Post. You’ll need a chain, a trinket and, ideally, eyehooks (earring hooks can be repurposed and used) — although a safety pin can suffice in a pinch.“It can be as simple as weaving a decorative ribbon through a chain or a belt and then adding a little charm,” McManus says.  **Candles** - “You don’t even necessarily need to buy a fresh block of wash if you have a lot of candles at home,” says McManus. But, you’ll just need to purchase a wick if you don’t have any. “You can melt down the last bits of old candles on a stove,” McManus adds, pour it into a metal coffee can, put it back onto the stove, reheat it and pour it into a tin with sentimental value — or one you later decoupage to have some.There are also kits.  **Masks** - “There are a lot of patterns online,” McManus says. While some are slightly more complicated, there are also plenty of ways to make one without sewing at all. To personalize it, consider using nostalgic fabric like a set of sheets, a costume from your childhood or an old but beloved T-shirt.  **Rings** - Even a total crafting newbie would have a hard time messing up creative freelancer Jessica Delfino’s minute rings. The sweet bling can be made in just three steps. “I use jewelry wire to shape the band — though I bet even a paper clip would do — write a word on construction paper, use a hot-glue gun to attach it to the band and then seal the word with hot glue so it doesn’t get damaged,” Delfino tells The Post. There are also visual instructions on her Instagram, and she sells the rings on her Etsy.  **Writing Prompt**: Please set your timer for 15 minutes, and please write for the entire time.  Mother’s Day this year will be spent in quarantine; however, that doesn’t mean that you cannot celebrate your mom and show her how much she is appreciated. Take this time to write your mom a heartfelt letter to show how much you deeply appreciate her. Especially during this time of quarantine. Give this letter to her on Mother’s Day. | Thoughtful Thursday AUTHOR: Chris Grabenstein Book Title: -Escape from Mr. Lemoncello’s Library   *All photos were provided courtesy of Google Images.*  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EzFr9rZkvZE>  Click on the link above and watch. Students will then respond to whether or not they would like to read that book. Be specific in your responses. (Not simply writing “No, because I don’t like to read.” or “No, because it doesn’t look good.”) Cite specific examples from the excerpt or book talk that does or does not interest them.  Finally, tell me what you are reading on you own and what you would like to read next. Free Write Friday **Students will write about how their week has been. Some examples to help you get started are listed below:**  Discuss how your daily life has been disrupted. Capture how this virus has disrupted your school year—including sporting events, concerts, assemblies, dances. Share the effect it has had on your friends and family.  Discuss the situation with a friend or relative and write about this discussion. Respond to any seed about the crisis you find interesting. A “seed” can be an article, a TV broadcast, a Ted Talks, a tweet, a photograph, a podcast, a film, an Instagram (or another online) post, a TikTok video, a political cartoon—anything that spurs some thinking about the crisis.  Write across genres: poetry, dialogue (just capture a conversation between people), description, etc. Zoom in on a moment you experience; discuss songs that capture these events for you. Find and respond to charts and graphs worth thinking about. Think about drawing or sketching your ideas and writing from those. |