Explanation of the “Creating a Character” assignment #5.a & 5.b
(3 points for written questions & monologue and 3 points for performance/reading)
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In preparation for the “Creating a Character” assignment, you must first read the very short reading assignment “Character & Storytelling (portions)” & then answer the character questions AFTER you receive your “character” ON September 3.

A. The first part of the assignment is to find a picture of a “2 characters” in a newspaper, magazine, online, etc and bring those pictures to class on Tuesday, Sept 1.

Your character CANNOT BE A FAMOUS, RECOGNIZABLE PERSON!

Then, on Sept 3, you will be given a NEW character.

Based on “your NEW character,” you must answer 15 questions based on the “Character & Storytelling” reading assignment describing the person and those answers are DUE Sept 10, NOON. Those questions will be discussed in class on Thursday, Sept 3 in preparation for the writing of your monologue. (The questions will satisfy the reading assignment #3c.)

B. The second part of the assignment is to write a half-page monologue (10 – 15 sentences) for your chosen character based on your answers/responses using the concepts as described in the “Character & Storytelling (portions)” reading and tell a story about your character. The story should have a beginning + middle + end. It will be a very brief story but will give the viewing audience a glimpse into the “character” of your character.

The written monologue is DUE September 17 and we will begin in-class readings of your monologue. (You do not have to have the monologue memorized.) The guidelines for the manner in which you write the monologue will be discussed in class.