**Current Events Project:**

**The Text-less**

 **Power-point**

**Introduction**

Current events are much more than the fast facts on the front of newspapers. Current events are the unfolding of our timeless stories in the present. Everything we hear, read about, listen to or see has a history and a future, and it is these on-going stories, together and separately, that work to inform and shape our community. Students should be able to not only follow these stories, but should also be critical of the ways in which they are told, identify biases, and recognize the advantages and disadvantages of different types of media, as well as their strengths and weaknesses.

**Task Overview**

Your task is to talk about and enlighten your classmates about a particular current event. You will be expected to produce a short speech (doesn't all have to be memorized, but you can't just read off your notes) as well as a text-less power point to go with it.

The Speech:

* Your job is to discuss the current event while enlightening us about world issues, your thoughts, reactions, and possible resolutions
	+ Provide us with a summary of what has happened
	+ Discuss why it's happened? Why is it news worthy?
	+ What kind of impact does it have (on our community, country, the world)?
	+ Is there a possible solution/resolution?

The Power point

* Your power point is going to be used as an aid to your speech
* Absolutely NO words on the slides (with the exception of the first slide having a title and your name)
* You can use pictures, videos, and diagrams related to your topic