Concert 2 Band Pre-UIL Assignment 1 - REFLECTION

Due: Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Music is among the most sublime, meaningful, and redeeming creations of all civilizations. Few endeavors can equal the power music captures in terms of aesthetic beauty, emotional fulfillment, inspiration, perception, and communicating the nature of human experience. Music can be complex, mysterious, and challenging. Filled with symbolism, cultural and historical references, and often visionary imagery, music obliges, defies, and even reckons it's meaning upon us.

Assignment: Provide a well written, well thought-out, and grammatically correct, typed document as follows:

- 1. Go to: http://pshsband.org/concert2
 (Please note this is case sensitive)
- 2. Navigate to "Performance Recording" and click
- 3. Select one of the musical selections to serve as reference for the following questions:

Name:

Band Class:

Piece Selected, Movement (if applicable):

- Paragraph 1 What is my first impression? How important is this to me?
- Paragraph 2 Where am I in this musical rendition? What was my role?
- Paragraph 3 What musical color captivates me? Does this have symbolism to me? Explain.
- Paragraph 4 In your opinion, which of the following present themselves in the music: Space, Shape, Shade, Shadow? Explain.
- Paragraph 5 Upon initial listening, did you experience the big picture or focus on specific compositional elements? Explain.
- Paragraph 6 Did any musical textures aid you in recognizing your association or meaning with the piece? Explain.
- Paragraph 7 Considering the insight you have now acquired as one of the performing musicians, what is your next step with this musical selection?

Method:

Typed assignment must be printed and placed in the Concert 2 Band crate by the end of 5th period Concert 2 Band Class, by the dri-erase board in front of the band hall. If you plan on being absent on the due date, then please email it to Michael.hernandez@pisd.edu. The email option is only for those who are absent on the due date.

This assignment carries an exam grade. Please be prepared to defend your work by answering questions from the insight you provided.

This is for all of our benefit, so enjoy the discovery aspect of this assignment!