

How Can I Spark Conversation in the Classroom?

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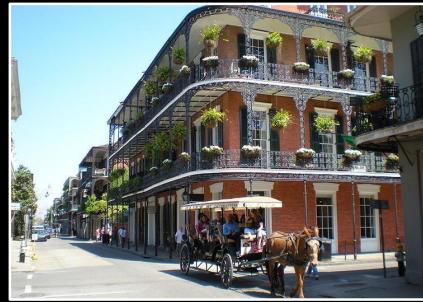
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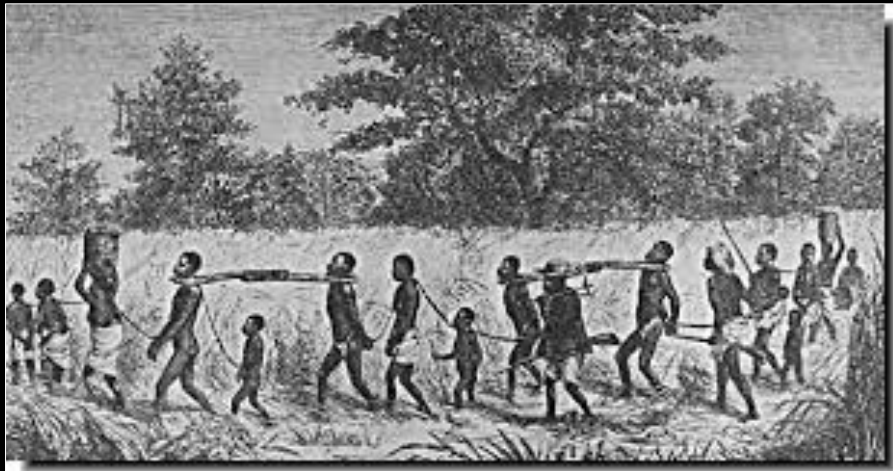


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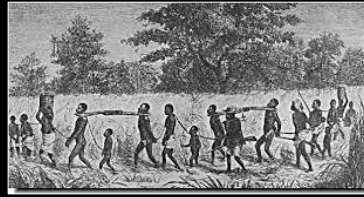


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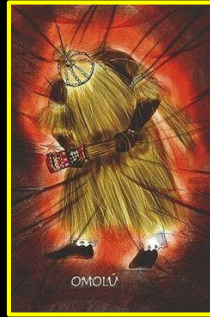


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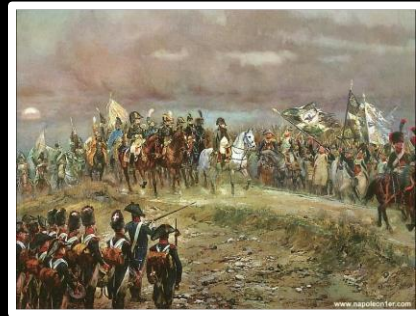
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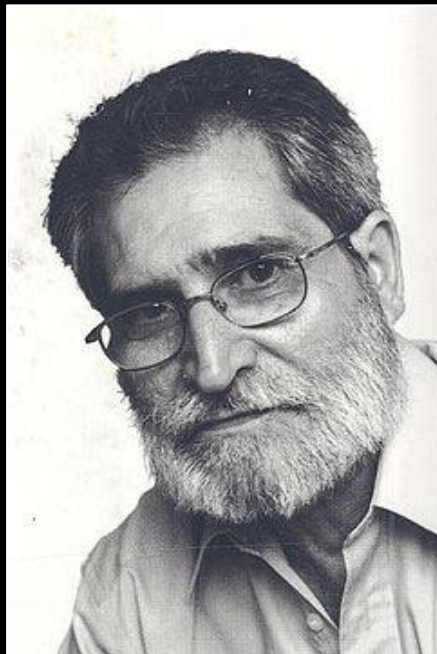
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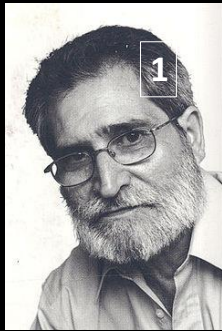


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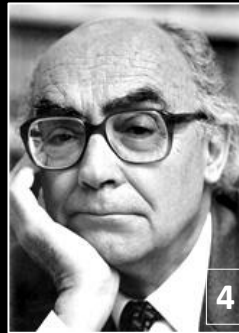


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INSTRUCTIONS FOR CAROUSEL “APRESENTAÇÃO”

Twice each semester we will have consecutive days of “carousel” presentations in which we will organize the classroom like a **large expo**. Each student partner team will do a **5 minute presentation** several times in a row, with a rotating audience. The following day, we will switch audience/presenters and the remaining student partner teams will present several times in a row, with a rotating audience.

When not presenting, you should be listening carefully and participating actively: speaking in Portuguese, asking good questions, listening closely, and filling out a questionnaire about the presentations you hear/see.

Be sure to create something VISUAL for your presentation with no more than 20 words total. Something that will make your presentation attractive. Some ideas: posters, PowerPoint, brochures to hand out, photos (real or fake) etc. The visual should be incorporated into your presentation, rather than distracting from it. It should support your research, be visually pleasing to your audience, and be constructed with care.

Practice, practice, practice. You should **not read** anything directly during your presentation. Eye contact and the ability to speak and answer questions spontaneously are important elements of your grade. We will vote on the best overall presentation!

You can reach your partner via Canvas

	Preparation	Content	Interaction	Visual Aid	Grammar
A	Extensive research and detail on a fascinating topic	Outstandingly professional and/or creative presentation; extremely well-organized	Delivered in a stunning and poised manner	Superior	Almost no grammatical errors
A-	Excellent research and detail on a captivating topic	Highly polished and/or creative presentation with excellent structure and organization	Delivered in an impressive and confident manner	Excellent	Only a few minor grammatical errors
B+	Very good research and detail on an very interesting topic	Sophisticated presentation with commendable structure and organization	Delivered in an effective and composed manner	Very good	Some minor grammatical errors
B	Good research and detail on a noteworthy topic	Effective presentation with successful structure and organization	Delivered in a suitable yet reticent manner	Good	Infrequent major and some minor grammatical errors
B-	Satisfactory research and detail on a trivial topic	Sufficient presentation with passable structure and organization	Delivered in a satisfactory and uncertain manner	Adequate	Some major and many minor grammatical errors
C+	Inadequate research and detail on an irrelevant topic	Disappointing presentation with inadequate structure and organization	Delivered in a awkward and/or insecure manner	Disappointing	Regular major and minor errors that affect communication

Assignment #1 Carnavalesco. You and your partner will detail a Brazilian carnival parade theme (either fictional or real, historical or contemporary). Include the anthem/song lyrics, costumes, storyline, historical importance and judge reviews.

Assignment #2 Guia turístico. You and your partner will plan a five-day tourist package to a lusophone city/country/region of the world. You should have detailed information on lodging, meals, and daily itineraries for that destination(s) and include pricing.

WORKSHEET: Carousel

Name: _____

Group 1

1. Presenter:
2. Presentation topic:
3. Three interesting take-home ideas from the presentation:
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
4. Two questions for the presenter, plus his/her/their answers:
Question 1:
Answer 1:
Question 2:
Answer 2:

Group 2

1. Presenter:
2. Presentation topic:
3. Three interesting take-home ideas from the presentation:
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
4. Two questions for the presenter, plus his/her/their answers:
Question 1:
Answer 1:
Question 2:
Answer 2:

Group 3

1. Presenter:
2. Presentation topic:
3. Three interesting take-home ideas from the presentation:
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
4. Two questions for the presenter, plus his/her/their answers:
Question 1:
Answer 1:
Question 2:
Answer 2:

Group 4

1. Presenter:
2. Presentation topic:
3. Three interesting take-home ideas from the presentation:
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
4. Two questions for the presenter, plus his/her/their answers:
Question 1:
Answer 1:
Question 2:
Answer 2:

What was your favorite presentation? Presenter + topic: _____
(don't vote for yourself!!)

Sample Taboo-style Cards

beignet

coffee
eat
doughnut
fried

streetcar

train
transport
tram
downtown

Katrina

hurricane
emergency
crisis
2005

Superdome

stadium
sports
football
new

Saints

football
team
Superdome
gold

Times-Picayune

newspaper
article
write
local

Louisiana

state
New Orleans
place
geography

shotgun

architecture
house
live
typical

Mississippi

river
water
crescent
nature

fleur de lis

flower
symbol
city
picture

Mardi Gras

party
carnival
parades
crazy

WWOZ

radio
listen
music
jazz

Lagniappe

extra
New Orleans
saying
service

jambalaya

food
traditional
local
popular

crawfish

food
crustacean
eat
etoufee

French Quarter

place
crazy
Bourbon
club

Bourbon Street

place
crazy
drink
quarter

Café do Monde

beignet
quarter
coffee
tourist

Sample Taboo-style Cards

voodoo

fest
African
religion
ritual

tailgate

party
football
game
drink

praline

sugar
sweet
delicious
dessert

levee

river
Mississippi
protect
grass

Magazine

street
boutique
cafés
restaurants

creole

culture
mix
local
food

Marie Laveau

voodoo
priestess
magic
ghost

swamp

place
alligator
wetlands
cypress

alligator

animal
swamp
reptile
food

cemetery

place
dead
tomb
ghost

cajun

culture
food
cuisine
country

zydeco

music
dance
cajun
accordion

Jackson Square

quarter
cathedral
river
Café du Monde

jazz

culture
music
rhythm
instrument

French Market

purchase
dine
shop
food

Snoballs

summer
ice
dessert
food

Garden District

neighborhood
area
geography
city

Pelicans

basketball
team
sport
local