Drama/Theatre/Acting
Assignment #1: Suitcase Presentation

Theatre performance can be scary. Standing up in front of a group of people isn't easy for everyone. Memorizing lines and making up a character can be tricky. So we are going to start slow…no memorization, no crazy character, just you!

You are going to be preparing a "suitcase". In it, you will pack items that represent moments/events/things in your life who have helped shaped who you are (ie: soccer ball represents your competitive side, lego represents how creative, an musical artist that inspires you, a journal representing your love of writing…). Each piece should carry a story. Please view the instructions below and see me if you have any questions.

Instructions

- Your presentation should be kept to 5 mins long.
- Your suitcase should have **5-7 items** inside of it.
- Each item chosen needs to contain/represent some history or a story about you – things that that have contributed to the person you are now.
- Prepare what you are going to say. Don't stand up there thinking you will get away with showing your items and not explaining their importance (you may write notes and take them up with you)
- Put some thought into this! You don't need to bear your soul to everyone, just let us see a little bit of who you are!

Rubric

1.) Significance . . . . **/4**
Have you put though into each item or have you simply chosen things because you think they are cool?

2.) Preparedness . . . . **/4**
Did you think prepare things to say about each item or are you standing up there playing show and tell?

3.) Item Selection . . . . **/3**
Are these honest or did you simply throw something together on the fly?

4.) Presentation . . . . **/4**
Are you speaking loudly and clearly? Can I hear you and understand your presentation?
Are you taking your time to look at the audience and share your stories?

TOTAL . . . . **/15**

Suitcase Item Description…

(A sentence or two explaining to me why this item is important and how it relates to who you are…)

NAME: _____   **PERIOD/CLASS:** _____

ITEM #1:
Explanation of significance to you:
ITEM #2:
Explanation of significance to you:
ITEM #3:
Explanation of significance to you:
ITEM #4:
Explanation of significance to you:
ITEM #5:
Explanation of significance to you:
ITEM #6 *(optional)***:**
Explanation of significance to you:
ITEM #7 *(optional)***:**
Explanation of significance to you: