**English 12**

**Porquoi Story Video Assignment**

What is a Pourqoi Story?

A pourquoi story, also known as an origin story or an etiological tale, is a fictional narrative that explains why something is the way it is, for example why a snake has no legs, or why a tiger has stripes. Many legends and folk tales are pourquoi stories.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pourquoi_story>

**The What:** For this assignment you will work with your fellow classmates to join two worlds – the ancient world of porquoi storytelling with the modern technological 21st Century. With your assigned goup you will write a porquoi story of your own then you will bring the story to life digitally. You will choose from the tools I have listed here or you may select another tool (as long as you approve it with me first).

**The How:**

Digital Storytelling Tools

<http://www.powtoon.com/edu-home/>

<http://www.knovio.com/>

<http://animoto.com/>

<http://plasq.com/>

<http://storybird.com/>

<http://www.kerpoof.com/>

This is a group assignment, but you will NOT necessarily receive the same grade as your groupmates. Your score will be determined through self, student, and teacher evaluations.

When you have completed your project, upload the link to edmodo for your fellow students to view and critique. The critiques are part of your individual score.

**The When:** Friday, October 11.