

THE DANGER OF A SINGLE STORY

Directions - please follow directions and answer all areas in **GREY!**

Section 1 - "YOU!" Read the chart below and answer the questions.

<i>THINK about...</i>	<i>Question</i>	<i>Your answer</i>
Think about your 25+ positive words about yourself.	Think of 5 words that strangers may use to describe you.	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
	What is the problem with people labeling you or judging you before they know you?	

Section 2 - "The Danger of a Single Story" - Watch a Ted Talk by Chimamanda Adichie and answer the questions. Link is in Canvas



Essential Question - What does Adichie mean by a "single story"?

Chimamanda Adichie is a Nigerian writer whose works range from novels to short stories to nonfiction. She was described in The Times Literary Supplement as "the most prominent" of a "procession of critically acclaimed young anglophone authors [which] is succeeding in attracting a new generation of readers to African literature", particularly in her second home, the United States. ([Wikipedia](#))

Directions for Section 2 - Please keep this document up as you watch the Ted Talk. Feel free to play or press pause as you write. You will be graded on quality of work and completion.

Click the link or go to Canvas for [Danger of a Single Story](#) 19 minute video. Please turn on CAPTIONS!

Question	<i>Your answer - Sentence Starters are provided - you do not have to use them if you don't want to.</i>
How does Adiche describe herself at the beginning of her talk? Make a list of words and phrases in her identity chart.	Sentence Starter: Adichie describes herself as
What does Adiche mean by “a single story”?	Sentence Starter: Adiche says that a single story is
Please list two examples she gives of single stories in her Ted Talk.	Sentence Starter: One example of a single story she gives is Another example of a single story she gives is
Why does she believe “Single Stories” are dangerous?	Sentence Starter: Adichie believes single stories are dangerous because
THINK BACK: What quote or story of hers resonated (connected) with you? Explain	Sentence Starter: One quote/story that connected to me was... because..

Section 3 - Back to YOU! - Reflect on what you just watched and answer the questions below.

Think About	Question	Your Answer
Single stories and how they connect to you.	What single stories have been constructed about you and/or your family or culture? Please share one.	
Ways to combat or fight single stories.	How can we fight the single stories about ourselves, groups of people, etc.? Explain.	