

Grades 3-5 Language Arts Project-April 14th-April24th

Even though times are tough right now, we are very fortunate to live in our country. We live in a country where compassion and creativity are valued and even flourishing at this time. Instead of having you read a passage and reflect on it, I would like to tap into your compassion and creativity. I want you to select a situation below. Use the Depth and Complexity learning tools of **Details** and **Rules** to rethink and redesign a normal social situation to meet our current social distancing policy in Ohio due to COVID-19. (Every person a minimum of 6 feet apart. We will skip the limit of 10 people unless you want to take on the extra challenge.) You may need to adapt conventional rules and add innovative equipment or machines. I really want you to think outside of the traditional box.

If you need my assistance, email me your questions:

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Once you have figured out your renovation plan, email me an essay explaining what you have created. I would love to see pictures of diagrams or models if you are able to. This project will be assigned for the next two weeks. When you email me your essays and pictures, I will add comments to highlight what I love and ask questions to explore ways to improve clarity and quality. I want you to enjoy learning and thinking. I cannot wait to see what you dream up. After all, you are the future of our compassionate and creative society. I miss thinking with you!

Rethink/Redesign Projects

A Children's Soccer or Flag Football Game

Redesign the sport and explain it to me in clear details. Include the new set of rules you designed for playing the sport. Remember, the ball should not have contact with hands unless sanitized immediately after. Where will the sport be held? How will the people arrive and enter the field? How will the spectators and participants play the game and still maintain social distancing rules? How will the rules change? Why will they change? Will new equipment be needed? Why? Is the equipment something people can make if it doesn't already exist? Who will get to play? Will this be an activity only for people that can afford it or will all people be able to join in? How will the game be managed without a referee? Will the sport be renamed? Ask yourself as many questions as you can and always explain your reasons why.

An Indoor or Outdoor Restaurant

What will the floor plan and furniture look like? Why did you design it this way? How will people and workers enter and exit? Why? How will you keep chefs, waiters and waitresses, bussers, and customers safe? How will food be protected and served? Who will be able to use this service and when? How can people socialize without transmitting the virus to one another? Will your adaptations affect cost? Why? How will customers pay to avoid virus transmission by exchanging money? Will this service be only for wealthy people or is there a plan to accommodate people on fixed incomes? What will the sanitation protocol look like once customers have finished eating? Will you have bathrooms available and how will they be cleaned? Ask yourself as many questions as you can and always explain your reasons why.

An Indoor or Outdoor Movie Theater

Where will the theater be located? What will the floorplan look like? Why? How will customers enter and exit? Describe seating. How will the seating be kept sanitary between viewings by different customers? How will the concession stand operate? (What's a movie without popcorn?) Will this require new equipment or machinery? How will the new design affect prices? Will everyone be able to participate or only wealthy people? How could you meet the needs of families on a fixed income? What films will you show? Did you think about the length of the movie since bathrooms may become an issue? Is this a profitable business or a community service? Ask yourself as many questions as you can and always explain your reasons why.

You Choose

Come up with an alternative social situation that would need to be revamped because of the COVID-19 social distancing restrictions. It could even be an even you and your friends or family enjoy participating in. Rethink and redesign the situation to make it safe and follow the new rules. Give me extensive details and always explain your reasons why.

