## **Language Arts 8**

### Unit 1 - Lesson 4

Enter your responses between the (blue) parentheses below each item.

## Section 1

Look at the image "At School" in your *SightLines* textbook on pg. 64. This visual was created in the year 1540, called the Middle Ages. During this time, books were a scarce luxury and seen as an item of wealth and power. In the visual "At School," Iranian Mughal demonstrated apprentices learning in a manuscript workshop, rather than in a traditional school as we know it today. Some of the learning happening is:

- Craftsmen are preparing dyes, colouring paper, and hanging them on the line to dry.
- Other youths are burnishing paper, learning calligraphy, reciting, and being punished.
- Cooks are preparing a meal.
- Note the neatly placed shoes.

Consider what you learned in the L.A. 8 course on "Elements of a Graphic Story" (found on page 2 of your 1.4 lesson) and answer the following questions.

1. In what order do you read the panels of this miniature? Why? (Mark: /2)

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2. Which panels are bigger and smaller in the visual? Why? (Mark: /2)

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Total Marks for Section 1: /4

Name: ()

# Section 2

- 1. Plan and create a **six-frame** comic strip.
  - Ideas for your comic strip:
    - Create a comic based on an ancient civilization. An example is Delilah Dirk and the Turkish Lieutenant, an adventure story set in Ottoman times.
    - o Create a "how to" comic. This is something that you do well and could teach others (e.g. how children can deal with bullies).
    - A young person is walking home one day. The person is a happy sociable youth. Everything changes when...
    - A young person has trained for many years to hone amazing skills.
       Finally, the teen is ready to use those skills...
    - Depict a day in your life.
    - o Tell a joke in comic strip form.
- a. Provide notes for your plan.

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- b. **Create** the comic strip from your plan, using one of the comic strip programs featured below. Or you may draw your own.
  - Upload your comic or the published URL for your comic to the appropriate Submission page with the rest of this assignment.
  - Scan or photograph your hand-drawn comic for submission and submit the file to the appropriate Submission page with the rest of this assignment.

### Online Resources for Developing Original Comics



You may find the following sites useful for developing original comics or graphic novels.

- Pixton (<u>www.pixton.com</u>)
- Super Action Comic Maker
   (<a href="http://www.artisancam.org.uk/flashapps/superactioncomicmak">http://www.artisancam.org.uk/flashapps/superactioncomicmak</a>

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- Comic Master (<a href="http://www.comicmaster.org.uk/">http://www.comicmaster.org.uk/</a>)
- Make Beliefs Comix
   (http://www.makebeliefscomix.com/Comix/)
- Professor Garfield's Comics Lab (<a href="http://professorgarfield.org/pgf">http://professorgarfield.org/pgf</a> comics lab.html)
- Witty Comics (<a href="http://www.wittycomics.com/">http://www.wittycomics.com/</a>) (hilarious)
- ToonDoo (<u>www.toondoo.com</u>)

1-4 Plan and Comic Strip				
	Excellent	Proficient	Satisfactory	Limited
	5	4	3	2
Content /5	I provided insightful ideas and effective support to demonstrate understanding of visual and written communication.	I provided thoughtful ideas and specific support to demonstrate understanding of visual and written communication.	I provided general ideas and basic support to demonstrate understanding of visual and written communication.	I provided incomplete or confusing ideas and vague support to demonstrate understanding of visual and written communication.
Organization /5	I included a well-defined beginning, middle, and end in my comic.	I included a clearly defined beginning, middle, and end in my comic.	I included a simple beginning, middle, and end in my comic.	I included confusing or disorderly events in my comic.
Presentation /5	I included impressive use of visual elements in my plan and comic strip.	I included significant use of visual elements in my plan and comic strip.	• I included basic use of visual elements in my plan and comic strip.	• I included insufficient use of visual elements in my plan and comic strip.
Insufficient	Your attempt to respond is insufficient. Contact your teacher to discuss			
suggestions for improvement.				
Total: /15				
Assessment	Areas of Strength ( )  Might I suggest ( )			

### **Total Marks for Section 2: /15**

### **Student Comments**

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- Be sure to save your file to your folder before submitting it to the LA8 Assignment 1.4 Submission page: (YOURNAME)la8-1.4
- Check the Submission page again in two or three days to retrieve your marked assignment and review the feedback from your teacher.

Assignment Total: ( /19) = Percent ( %)

**Teacher Comments** 

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