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FYSE 114

Project: Creative Response to the Gothic

Due Date: Thursday, Dec. 2 before class in OAKS dropbox

Description: The final project in the class involves your own creative response to the Female Gothic genre. Your project should be of your own design, but it must work to demonstrate what you've learned over the course of the semester. Each project should include a very short paper, of at least 250 words, in which you discuss how you used Gothic elements in your project.

Here are some ideas to get you started thinking about the kind of thing you could do:

- You might write your own Gothic short-short story. Remember that a short-short (sometimes called "flash fiction") is under 1,000 words, often closer to 500. It should have an actual beginning, middle, and end. It should tell a complete story in a stripped-down form, focusing on what's essential, and making sure every word counts, just as in a poem.
- You could transform a work we read into graphic style, like a graphic novel or comic book.
- You could create a blogsite or website about the Female Gothic.
- You might choose to make a short video, which could either be instructional (teaching about the Female Gothic) or else dramatic (a brief Gothic movie).
- You could make some kind of Gothic questing game or fun quiz ("What Gothic heroine are you most like?" "Who's Your Dream Gothic Partner?")
- You may design some other project of our own choosing. Just be sure to run your idea by me beforehand.