

How Comics and I-Pads Can Save an Intro to Lit. Course



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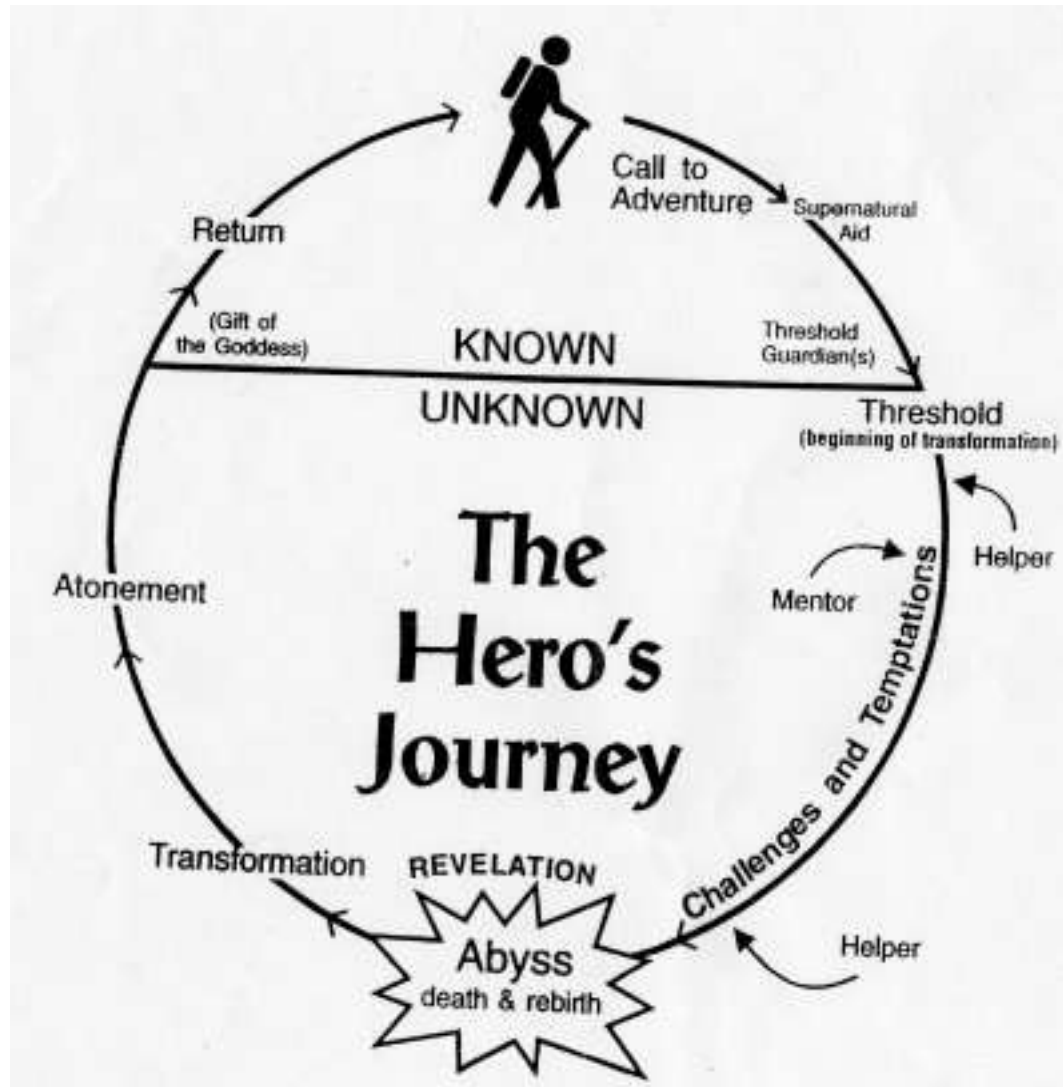




WAIT, WE ARE
GOING TO
LEARN WITH
COMICS!

BAZINGA!

Concepts in Lit.

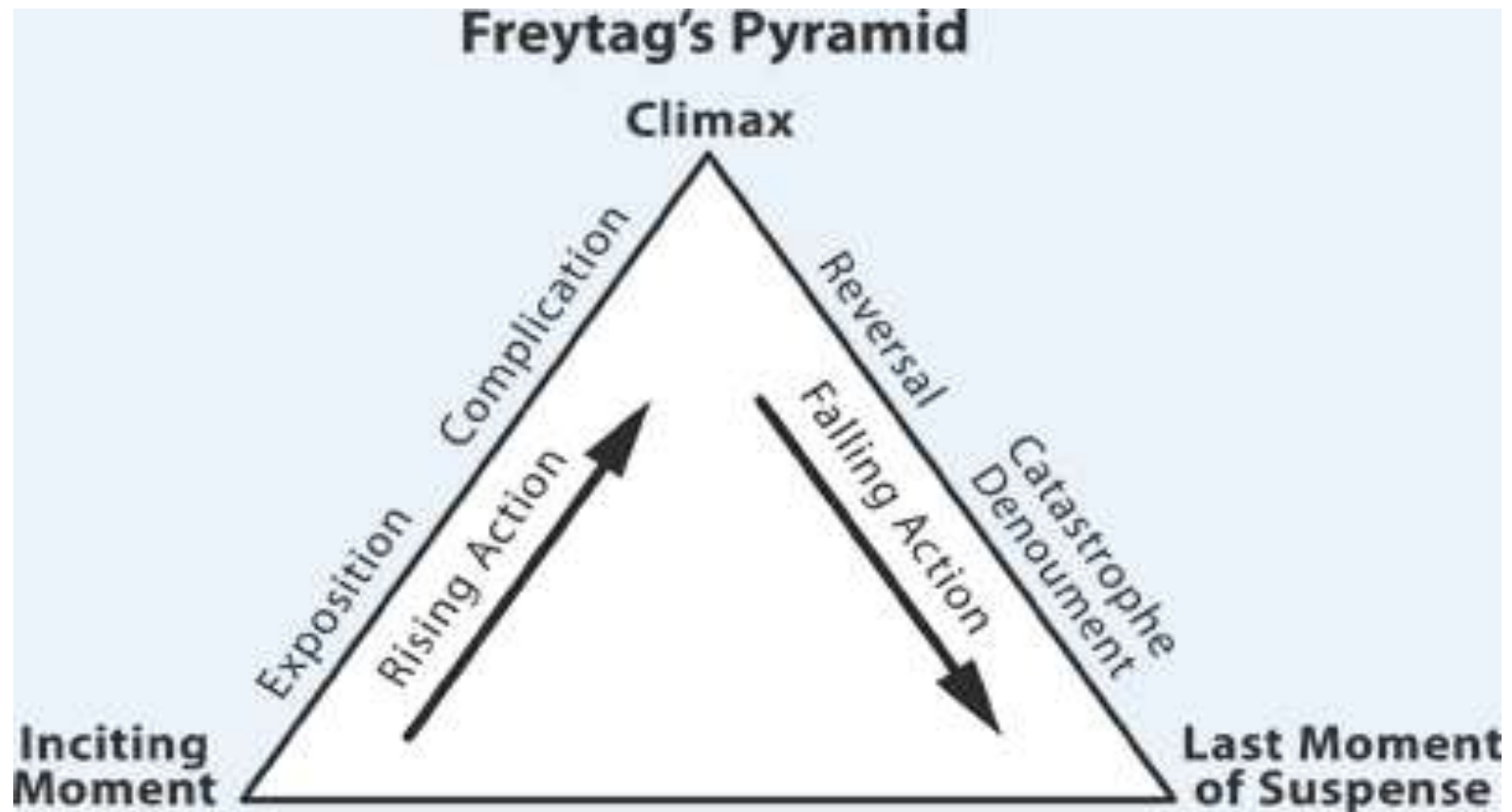


Poe's Theory of Composition



- Length: Reader should be able to finish reading a composition in one sitting
- Unity of Effect: Nothing in the work should detract from the emotional effect

Structure of a Narrative



Assignment

- Place students in pairs or small groups
- Select a short story from the class reading
- Have students create a predetermined number of panels for each stage in the structure of the narrative
- Have students present their comics to the class and explain how each panel correlates to each category (exposition, complication, etc)

Methods



Educreations (i-Pad App)

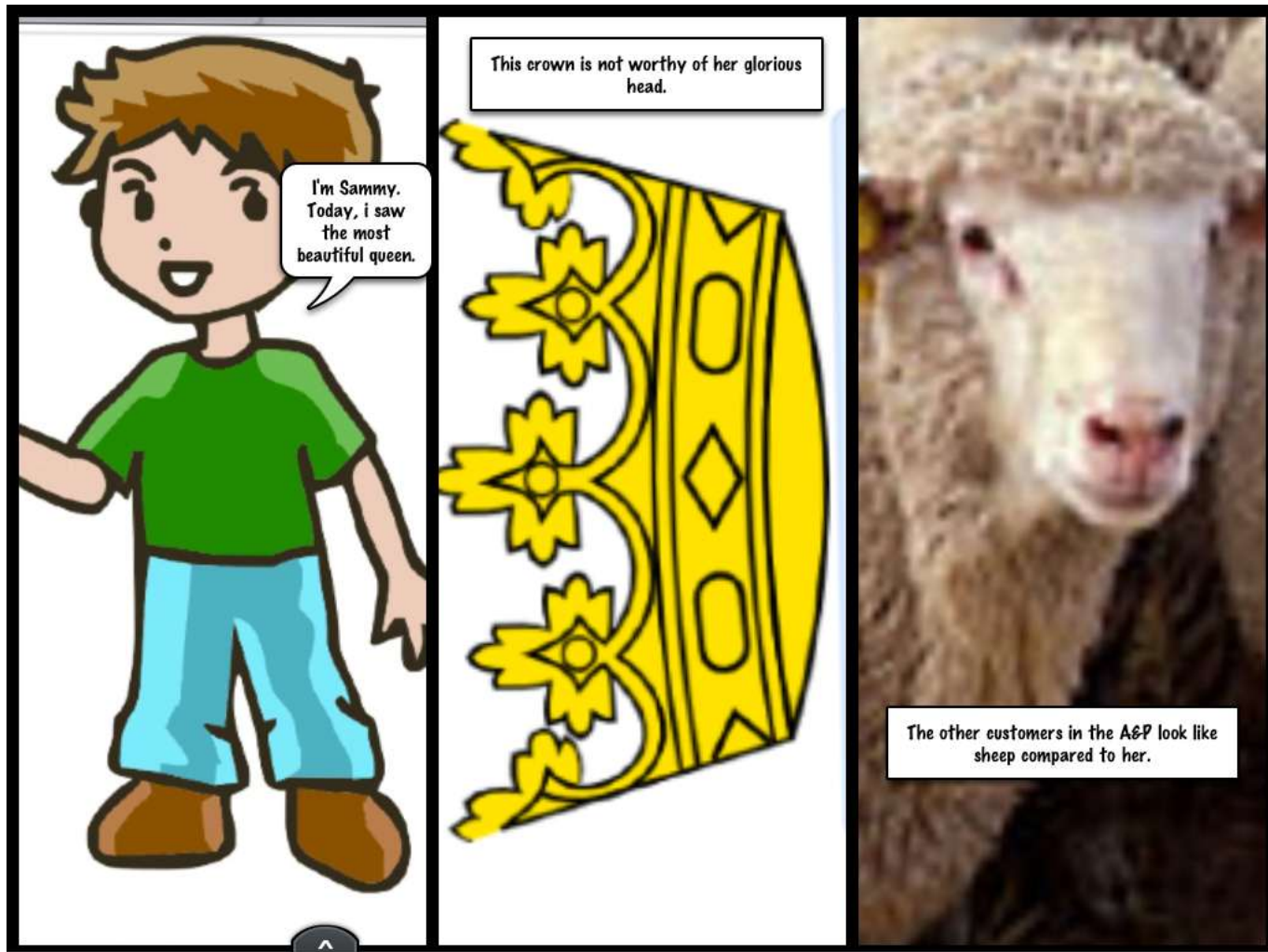


Kabaam! (i-Pad App)

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Comic Strip (i-Pad app)



Toontastic (i-Pad App)





Zap!

Learning Styles

- Active Learners benefit from:
 - Group activities in which members explain topics
 - Finding ways to apply the info

Group creation of comic lends itself to discussion as does the presentation and discussion of the final produce

Learning Styles

- Reflective Learners benefit from:
 - Reviewing what has been read and thinking of applications
 - Summarizing readings



Students distill the story down to basic elements, which helps these learners grasp the overall themes

Learning Styles

- Intuitive Learners benefit from:
 - Finding interpretations or theories that link facts

Creation of the comic is an interpretation of the story that allows students to link their ideas with the facts of the narrative



Learning Styles

- Visual Learners benefit from:
 - Pictorial representations
 - Drawing and concept mapping

Creation of comic is the story coming to life through pictures.



Learning Styles



- Verbal Learners benefit from:
 - Group work that involves explanations

Discussion involved in the creation of the comic and the class discussion during the presentation adds to the student comprehension of the story

Learning Styles

- Sequential Learners benefit from:
 - Reviewing information in linear, logical steps

Students benefit from breaking the story down into logical steps that push the narrative



Questions?

