



## Bio Bags and Effective Speaking

# + Biography Bags: Getting to know our class

- **Step 1:** Think of 4 or 5 objects that represent you, things you like, how you see the world.
  - HINT: These must be objects you chose intentionally for this project. DO NOT RANDOMLY PICK THINGS FROM YOUR BACKPACK!
- **Step 2:** Write some notes about why you chose the objects.
  - There might be a story about an object
  - It might remind you of something/someone
  - It might be special to you because...  
“I chose \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_”
- **Step 3:** Bring your object to class on **Friday, August, 24**
  - We will be brainstorming objects to bring on Wednesday, August 22
- **Step 4:** Present your objects and their stories, using your notes, to the class.



# Four Qualities of Effective/Good Public Speaking



- Speak loudly and clearly
- Do not fidget/move around in a distracting way
- Be prepared
  - Have notes
  - Glance at your notes, **do not read straight from them!**
- Make eye contact with your audience
  - It helps to keep them engaged
  - It helps you know whether they are listening and understanding

# + Bio Bag Rubric

<b>4</b> <b>20 pts = 100% A+</b>	<b>3</b> <b>17 pts = 85% B</b>	<b>2</b> <b>14 pts = 70% C-</b>	<b>1</b> <b>11 pts = 55% F</b>
<p>-You put a lot of thought into the assignment by bringing unique objects that you used to interestingly reveal something about yourself others didn't know</p> <p>-You confidently and comfortably exhibited the four traits of good public speaking in your presentation.</p>	<p>-You brought in all objects and clearly and confidently explained how they represent you and your life</p> <p>-You exhibited all four traits of good public speaking in your presentation.</p>	<p>-You may have brought in too few objects; or some objects were generic; or explanation on how the objects represented you was unclear</p> <p>-You exhibited 2 or 3 of the four traits of good public speaking in your presentation</p>	<p>Assignment felt rushed or half done; or most objects were generic (cell phone, textbook, pencil, etc.) or inappropriate; or explanation was missing</p> <p>-You exhibited 1 or less of the four traits of good public speaking in your presentation</p>

0 = 0 pts = 0% (Hint: Terrible way to start semester! )