**English 12 Calamity Day Makeup #2 and #3**

*Bates*

Standards:

**W8:** Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources… assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism.

**Procedures:**

1. Go to [www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com) and browse the available videos. You may also go to the TED page on Facebook to see the most recently uploaded videos.
2. Once you find one that you like, watch the video and take a few notes on it.
3. Summarize the information in written form in addition to answering the following questions:
	1. Why did you choose this TED Talk?
	2. What is the most important idea people should know about this talk?
	3. If you were going to give a TED talk on a topic, what would it be and why?

**If you don’t have access to technology from home, you have the following options:**

* Go to your local library or a friend’s house and complete the assignment as is (you can also do this with a Smart Phone).
* During a study hall in the next two weeks, go to the Media Center and watch a TED talk on a school computer and complete the assignment as is.
* If neither of these options is available to you, choose a current event and write an informational essay about it, summarizing it first and then providing your opinion on it.