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We know from our studies of the Northwest Coast people that the images carved into a cedar totem pole represented many things. For example, the eagle, raven, bear, and killer whale symbolize beauty, grace, strength and mythology. We also know that beautifully carved house posts told the family history and native legends.

Your Assignment:

To design a totem drawing that best represents you and what you stand for as an individual. Select a minimum of five (5) symbols, such as animals, plants, shapes, objects, and any other images which best characterize you. Use your creativity and imagination! In addition, use colours to enhance your totem.

Next, describe why you chose the images you did and explain your totem.

Evaluation:

Based on content and design; attention to detail and accuracy; and articulation of your design.

	Extending 5 Points	Proficient 4 Points	Developing 3 Points	Emerging 1 Point
Work Quality/Effort	The work completed exceeds all expectations. The effort put into this task is the best it can be by the learner.	Work is done with good effort that shows the capability of the learner. It is evident time was put into this project.	Work is done with fair effort, but the quality is not what the learner is capable of completing. It is evident that the work was rushed	Work is done with little effort, shows lack of quality, and may be incomplete. It is evident little time was spent on the final project.
Totem Pole Design/Creativity	The totem pole has an element of creativity and style. Information is presented in a creative and effective manner	The totem pole is clear and logical and contains very few mistakes.	The totem pole shows some understanding of totem poles but contains errors. It lacks neatness and clarity.	The totem pole does not reveal a clear understanding and has many errors. It lacks neatness and clarity.
Totem Pole Symbols	There are 5 symbols represented on the totem pole.	There are 4 symbols represented on the totem pole.	There are 3 symbols represented on the totem pole.	There are 0-2 symbols represented on the totem pole
Written Response	Student provides a thorough, clear, and concise explanation to support why they chose 5 symbols on the totem pole.	Student provides a thorough, clear, and concise explanation to support why they chose 4 symbols on the totem pole.	Student provides a thorough, clear, and concise explanation to support why they chose 3 symbols on the totem pole.	Student provides a thorough, clear, and concise explanation to support why they chose 0-2 symbols on the totem pole.