**Autobiography in Pictures – Digital Media 1**

**Overview**– Create a one-slide collage using PowerPoint that represents your interests, personality, etc. This assignment will be printed in color and displayed in our classroom. Follow the specific directions below:

**Directions:**

1. Save everything for this project to your “autobiography” folder on the Cobra drive.
2. Open PowerPoint – create a new presentation – change the slide layout to “blank” - save as “Your Name Autobiography.pptx”.

**Create a Wordle -** Access the website: <http://wordle.net> and create a Wordle that contains your name and **at least 20** words that describe something about yourself. **Reminder**: Key your name at least 4 times so it is bigger than the other words. Use the ~ to keep two words together; key the word many times to make sure it appears larger than the other words. When finished, save (may need to use the Snipping Tool) and insert your “Word Cloud” on your PowerPoint slide.

**Finding Images/Graphics on the web -** Remember, most graphics are copyright protected. It is fair use to use in a classroom assignment; however, you cannot reproduce and distribute or call them your own! **Find** and **save** graphics (12 or more images) that represent your interests, personality, etc. Ideas might include cars, foods, sports, hobbies, favorite music, etc. Save the graphics using a meaningful, short filename. Make sure that you do not save the thumbnail image but find the FULL image – it will look better when we resize, etc. Search engines that work well for finding graphics – try something other than Google:

* <http://bing.com>
* <http://google.com>
* <http://altavista.com>
* <http://alltheweb.com>
* <http://www.picsearch.com>
* <http://dogpile.com>

**Add images to your PowerPoint -** You should include all of the **pictures** you gathered from the Internet, and your **Wordle.** Follow the specific directions below:

* Decide your slide background. On the ribbon, under the design tab, play around with background colors or themes – pick something you like.
* Insert the Wordle to use as your title
* Insert 12 or more of the graphics you found on the Internet. Resize and crop if necessary.
* All graphics should have a unique shape or border. Play around with the picture style, shape, border, and effect! (Remember, graphics must be school appropriate.)
* Do not use “ClipArt” from PowerPoint.
* Use a **textbox** (insert tab) to explain at least **three** of the pictures you selected. You can do more if you like!
* **Rotate** at least two of the graphics.
* Arrange pictures neatly – be creative – experiment – may want to overlap! Part of your grade will be based on effort and creativity (**the WOW factor**)!
* Double check that your slide is visually appealing
* When finished, copy “Your Name Autobiography.pptx” to the “to be graded”. I will print this for you in color and display in our classroom.

Remember:

* Word Cloud: 20 or more words – your name stands out!
* Graphics (not ClipArt): 12 or more – enhanced/cropped if necessary/borders/shapes
* Rotate at least 2 graphics
* Use at least 3 textboxes to describe a few things
* Make sure you read the directions again
* Copy to “to be graded” in Cobra drive

**Autobiography Grading**

A + Turned in; missing no requirements; visual appeal is **AWESOME**!

A Turned in; missing no requirements; visual appeal is **GREAT**.

B Turned in; missing a few requirements; visual appeal is **GOOD**.

C/D Turned in; may be incomplete or missing several requirements stated in directions; visual appeal is **fair**.