

## **Digital Storytelling Assignment:**

You will create a digital short story that fits into the historical fiction genre, specifically the time period and place of the book you just read for your research essay. In fact, your story will have its roots in this book. Here are some ideas of how you can do that:

1. Write a short story that involves some of your book's characters and takes place before the action of the book starts.
2. Write a "Where are they now?" story that explores something that happens to one or more characters after the conclusion of the book.
3. Take one small idea from the middle of your book and go on a brief tangent. In other words, fill in a gap from the main plot line (or alter a minor plot line) in order to create a new story.
4. Pretend one of the book's characters makes a decision that differs from what they actually do in the book. Turn what happens next into your story.
5. Other ideas? Great! Just run them by Mrs. Spaman before you get started.

### **Basic requirements of this project:**

- ✓ Before working with the technology, create (and have Mrs. Spaman approve) a story board—12 frame minimum.
- ✓ Story must connect to the book you read, but MUST be original (do not just summarize a portion of your book).
- ✓ Setting of your story must be the same as your book. Accurate historical details from your research are incorporated.
- ✓ Create a 2-5 minute digital short story to present to the class.