

Humorist Study

(Analysis/Reflection + Project Proposal)

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Analysis:

Two of the comedians that I was inspired by are Smosh and Ryan Higa. There are both old Youtubers that I used to watch as a kid and I was inspired by their work. To start off, they both do skit-related content. They do parodies, many uses of satire and comedic narrative.

With the creators Smosh, they do a lot of skits where it can take place in a real life situation. I'm going to use the skit of them recreating a scene at a workplace. In this skit, the worker decides to cover for their worker's shift and they end up missing out on so much stuff because they are stuck working for the next 4 hours. There's a lot of banter that takes place in the skit. Such as the worker dealing with customers who are a handful and they do a lot of banter towards each other back and forth. As for the worker's personality there's a lot of caricature when they are acting out their scenes. They over exaggerate how he talks to his customers and the way he acts and his lines too.

I find many of their skit styles familiar to Ryan Higa because he also uses a bunch of banter and caricature. But most importantly, they use a lot of verbal irony. In his video, The Truth Behind Beyonce's Lemonade he uses many of these techniques. There's a parody which is them recreating the music from Beyonce's album. They also have a lot of puns. In this video, the character introduces many of the ideas through puns which conflict he brings into the conversation. There's a bunch of exaggerated humor in the dissection of Beyonce's album. The main character who introduces many ideas brings up many theories which are making fun of people who actually take theories seriously.

To conclude, I'm inspired by both of these creators and I want to use their humor styles into my humor project.

Ryan Higa: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2AzFd3KdHCl>

Smosh: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=13f6sbj4Sr8>

Reflection:

I grew up watching these Youtubers so their use of humor has made an impact on what I find funny or interesting in these kinds of videos. Whenever I had a bad day I would always watch their videos to pass time or to lighten up my day.

I find their style of comedy fitting towards most people's humor. Seeing how successful their content is with millions of views. Which is why I want to use their humor because this type of humor can make anyone laugh.

Overall, I realized that my humor is based on irony, parody and exaggeration. I hope to see that people have a familiar sense of humor in my skit for this project.

Part 2 – Description of Proposed Project

1.) Are you collaborating with others? Yes* or No

**If Yes, list the names of your collaborators : Hannah, Vamp, and Josh*

2.) Which form of humor are you planning to develop? (See [menu.](#))

Satire, Comedic Narrative

3.) What is the subject (or, in the case of satire, the target)? Why did you choose this subject?

We are going to be driving around in Josh's jeep. Me and Josh are going to be Safari Travelers and Hannah and Vamp are going to be the dinosaurs.

We chose this subject because as a friend group we usually ride around together after school so that's how we came up with this idea.

4.) Which comedic [tools/techniques](#) do you plan to use, and why? (List at least 3 main ones and explain briefly how you plan to use them):

Satire-Used in most jokes

Practical Joke - There will be actions with the dinosaur scenes

Parody - Redoing some famous movie scenes

5.) Why do you think this is the right humor project for you? (If you have a group, can you assure me that everyone is invested in this idea and you won't have trouble getting everyone to contribute meaningfully?) What makes you excited about this idea? What are some potential pitfalls you wish to avoid?

This is the right humor project for me because we all want to create something funny together and this is the best fit for us. We wish to avoid procrastination while making this funny video.

6.) If you get approval, what's your next step?

Making our script and scheduling our filming days.

Note: Once you gain approval, make a new Google Doc titled LastName_FirstName-Humor Script, and begin drafting your own original project. If you are doing a non-narrative/non-performance project, such as a series of political cartoons or satirical images, you will need to use this document to explain your creative choices and how you applied comedic terms and techniques to your images.