#### Humorist Study

#### Analysis

So for my humorist study, the two comedians I chose are Jim Carrey and a YouTuber called Jidion, also known as Demarcus Cousins III. Jim Carrey and Jidion are two completely different people with different social statuses. For instance, Jidion is a YouTuber with over a million subscribers who makes funny public prank videos. His videos often feature him playing pranks on his friends or just random people, and their reactions are priceless. His videos are not only funny but also incredibly creative. He puts a lot of effort into each prank, and it shows. His fans love him for his sense of humor and his ability to make them laugh. For instance, he is very satirical and ironic. One of his most popular videos features him getting a haircut during an NBA game. While Jidion keeps a straight face and continues to play his part. This video has gathered millions of views and has become a fan favorite. He has lots of videos like that where he gains millions and millions of views. His audience is mainly teens and young adults, but his channel is a go-to destination for those looking for a good laugh. In addition to his prank videos, Jidion also posts vlogs and challenges on his channel. He is a talented content creator who knows how to keep his audience engaged and entertained. With his unique brand of humor. Jidion is sure to continue to be a favorite among YouTube viewers for years to come.

The other comedian that I chose is Jim Carrey. Carrey is one of my favorite actors of all time and is known for his outrageous and physical style of comedy. He started his career as a stand-up comedian before transitioning into television and film, where he became one of the most popular and successful comedy actors of all time. Carrey's humor is characterized by his over-the-top physicality, facial expressions, and voice. He often plays eccentric, manic characters who are larger than life and impossible to ignore. He uses lots of satire and parody to poke fun at societal norms and conventions. One of the few reasons why Jim Carrey is so funny is because of his ability to fully embody his characters and commit to their absurdity. He has an incredible range as an actor and can seamlessly transition from silly and lighthearted to dark and dramatic. He also connects with his audience by using humor to address deeper issues like loneliness, anxiety, and existentialism. Some of his films that I love are The Mask, Bruce Almighty, Ace Ventura: Pet Detective, and Ace Venture: When Nature Calls. I would definitely recommend these movies if you ever want a good laugh.

Overall, the two comedians chosen for this humorist study, Jim Carrey and Jidion, are vastly different in their approach to humor and their audiences; Jidion is a popular YouTuber, while Jim Carrey is a well-known actor and comedian. Despite their differences, both comedians are masters of their craft and have an impressive ability to connect with their audience and make them laugh. Both comedians have developed devoted followings and established themselves as some of the funniest people in entertainment history on two different platforms.

### Reflection

Growing up, I've always liked humorous movies and cartoons. One of the few cartoons that I used to watch was Tom & Jerry. There was barely any dialogue in it, but I still find it so funny when I watch it once in a while. Just like that, comedy has been a huge part of my life. As I grew older, my appreciation for comedy deepened. I discovered new comedians on different platforms. Humor was also a way for me to cope with stress and anxiety. If I was ever stressed, I would try to watch something on my phone that would make me laugh as a distraction from the stress, and I also love hanging out with my friends if I am stressed because they always find a way to make me laugh, and it's always a fun time hanging out with them.

I enjoy being with people who don't take things seriously and use humor like I do if I don't want to take things seriously. If I am ever uncomfortable, I use humor to kind of get myself out of the awkward situation, but that is only if I am with my friends. I cannot use humor with people that I am not close with. I also love watching shows or YouTube videos that use the same humor as mine.

Some YouTubers I find inspirational for this project would be KjSmooth, Jidion, BigDawsTv, etc. But my favorite and most inspirational YouTuber would be Jidion. One of the reasons I find these YouTubers to be so inspirational is because of the effort and creativity they put into their work. Many of them spend hours trying to come up with the idea of what to film for their audience and another couple hours filming and editing it. This level of dedication and commitment is motivating for anyone who wants to achieve success in their own passions and endeavors.

Humor can be found in many themes and subjects, and what one person finds funny may not necessarily be amusing to someone else. For my humor project, some comedic tools/themes we will be focusing on are practical jokes, satire, and exaggeration. We want to make sure everybody finds our project funny and appealing, so it was a little difficult to see what kind of comedic themes we should use for the project. Looking at other YouTubers, they seem to use a lot of satire and practical jokes, which kind of helped us find the right theme. I can't wait to get started with filming our video and editing it. I am not really sure what type of prank video we're going to do, but I know it will be fun, and hopefully it goes well.

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## Description of the proposed project

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

\*If Yes, list the names of your collaborators : Nicholas, Uch, Justin

- Which form of humor are you planning to develop? (See <u>menu</u>.)
  We're going to a satirical YouTube prank video.
- 3.) What is the subject (or, in the case of satire, the target)? Why did you choose this subject?

We're gonna do the video on random people that we find in the mall or library but they're mostly going to be teens. We chose this subject because it seemed fun to do and it'd definitely be funny.

- 4.) Which comedic <u>tools/techniques</u> do you plan to use, and why? (List at least 3 main ones and explain briefly how you plan to use them):
  - Practical joke: because we will put the jokes into action on random people
  - Satire: we will be satirical when talking to people
  - Exaggerism: we will use exaggerate so it doesn't get too boring
- 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 humor project is right for ME because i've always wanted to do something like the impractical jokers, and it just piqued my interest when my friends mentioned the idea to me. I'm excited to see people's reactions to it. I wish to avoid doing the video on older people because they might take it too seriously, so me and my group agreed to do it on people around our age.

6.) If you get approval, what's your next step? Plan out when we can record and what we're going to do.