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Unit 4 Final Performance Task Options

Important Information for Both Options

The following is a list of enduring understandings for unit 4. They should appear in this final performance   
task so that your teacher can assess whether you learned the most essential content.

* The Sacraments of Healing are rooted in Jesus’ ministry.
* The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation offers us God’s forgiveness, thus freeing us to take responsibility for our actions.
* The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick strengthens our relationship with God, supports us in grave   
  illness, and offers spiritual and (if it is God’s will) physical healing.

Option 1: Keep a Daily Journal

Create a daily journal that will be based specifically on your experience of the examination of conscience. You will need to have the handout “The Examination of Conscience (Based on the *Examen* of Saint Ignatius of Loyola).” Read the entire handout and, if needed, ask your teacher for further clarification. You will need a small notebook that you will submit to your teacher at the end of this unit.

Use the following guidelines in making your journal entries:

* Complete the examination of conscience prayerfully once a day (five days a week) for the duration of this unit. It is best to do this at the same time each day. In the evening before going to bed is ideal.
* After completing the examination of conscience, write a journal entry that includes the following:
* a statement about ways that God may have been present to you during the day
* a statement or two about some of the attitudes and motivations you had during the day
* a description of how well or poorly you responded to different situations (How Christlike were your decisions?)
* a statement of your intention to live more authentically the next day
* The last entry for your journal should include a thoughtful explanation of which of the enduring understandings for this unit are reflected in your journal entries. Detail how your daily examination   
  of conscience helped you to better understand each of those enduring understandings.

Option 2: Create a Presentation   
about Reconciliation and Healing

Locate two movies that deal with themes of reconciliation or healing or both. You may not use *Invictus.* Many excellent movies are available, including *Hotel Rwanda* (2004, 121 minutes, rated PG-13), *Gifted* (2017, 101 minutes, rated PG-13), and *Glory Road* (2006, 118 minutes, rated PG).

Create a presentation that could be given in class about the ways each of the movies relates to the key understandings of unit 4. Follow these guidelines:

* View each movie carefully, taking notes.
* For your presentation, explain the primary challenge in each movie, the decision that was made, and the outcome.
* Incorporate concrete examples of scenes from the movies to illustrate the themes of the enduring understandings for this unit: healing, reconciliation, God’s forgiveness, taking responsibility for one’s actions, as well as physical or spiritual healing and strengthening of one’s relationship with God.
* Consider recording or “marking” two or three short video clips to show as evidence for your presentation.