

Honors English 10

Unit 1:

At War with Ourselves and Others

Assessment 1

Option 1

- Compose and deliver your own persuasive speech, using techniques employed in the speeches that you have read in this unit. You must employ all three rhetorical strategies as well as rhetorical devices (such as repetition, questioning, counterargument, figurative language, imagery). Possible scenarios: (1) *You are the soccer captain addressing your teammates in the locker room moments before running onto the field to face the three-time state champions.* (2) *You are a member of the science club addressing fellow students in the cafeteria during lunch and attempting to persuade them to actively participate in the school's new recycling and composting program.*

Option 2

- Select two persuasive war speeches that we have studied in this unit. In an essay, compare and contrast the speakers' points of view and the rhetorical strategies and devices they use to persuade their audiences, which you need to identify precisely. You must clearly identify the speakers' purposes and include specific references from the texts as evidence of your analysis.