

## Week 1 Quests

Quests are due Sunday, July 19, 10:59AM Central Time (= 11:59PM Beijing Time). Your team is tasked with completing a minimum of five quests for full credit (5 points). You will receive extra credit for any quests beyond the minimum number (0.5 points per extra quest, for a total max of 1 extra point). The team with the most original and creative submission will also receive an extra point at the end of the week.

### Article Art

“What is the use of a book without pictures or conversations?” Choose ONE of the articles or chapters we have read this week and create a visual representation of its main themes. You can be as creative as you want in your approach—from memes to oil paintings, everything is permitted. Submit your image as a .jpg or .pdf file titled “[TeamName]\_ArticleArt” and make sure to include the title of the reading your image represents.

### Curious Creatures

“There were a Duck and a Dodo, a Lory and an Eaglet, and several other curious creatures.” Submit a photo collage of the several curious creatures that are keeping your team company during the course. This may include all sorts of non-human companions: pets, stuffed animals, toys... Organize the photos in a single pdf document titled “[TeamName]\_CuriousCreatures” and make sure to include a brief description of the creatures under each photo.

### Dream Dialogue

Characters in *Waking Life* discuss dreams, reality, consciousness, and the meaning of life. Using the film as a model, write a short dialogue (between one and two minutes long) on the topic of dreams and perform it as a team on Zoom. Record your performance and submit the video as a .mp4 file titled “[TeamName]\_DreamDialogue.”

### Group Gathering

Take a team group picture. You can take a screenshot on Zoom, Skype, or whichever platform you use to communicate. Photo silliness greatly appreciated, but not required. Submit the photo as a .jpg file titled “[TeamName]\_GroupGathering.”

### Inverted Illusion

“How funny it’ll seem to come out among the people that walk with their heads downwards!” Submit a picture or a video that will convince viewers that you are in an alternate reality where up is down, left is right, and the laws of physics of our world don’t matter anymore. Submit your creation as a .jpg or .mp4 file titled “[TeamName]\_InvertedIllusion.”

### Superb Suggestions

Alice gives herself very good advice, but she seldom follows it. Write a letter to a historical figure of your choice, offering advice during a difficult and challenging time. For a bonus point, also write a brief reply *as that historical figure*, explaining why you have decided not to follow the very good advice you have been offered. Submit your letter(s) as a single pdf document titled “[TeamName]\_SuperbSuggestions.”

### Tall Tale

“I must be shutting up like a telescope!” You wake up one morning and instead of your usual breakfast you find on the table a small bottle. Tied around the neck of the bottle is a paper label, with the words “DRINK ME” beautifully printed on it in large letters. Write a 200 words story about what happens next. Submit your story as a pdf file titled “[TeamName]\_TallTale.”