Unit 2 Assessment OF Learning: Ted Talk

Description: For this assignment, you are to watch the Ted Talk "The Danger of a Single Story" by Chimamanda Adichie. Then, you are to do a two-paragraph reflective response. Question 1 is mandatory, **and** you can choose **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

You will notice that each question contains many smaller questions. This was intentionally done to help guide you in delivering a full-bodied response.

Questions:

1. In listening to the talk, did you feel a sense of connection or identification with Adichie? If so, how do you think that happened? If not, explain why. Use literary devices and evidentiary techniques from the speech in your response.

   AND

2. What makes it possible for you to connect to others? What gets in the way? Why do you think connection is important? What does it enable? What does it impede? How can you better connect with those who are different from you?

   OR

3. What single stories have you heard about others? What assumptions have you made about people from different groups, races, ethnicities or cultures? What is the impact of these stories and assumptions? In what way(s) are these stories incomplete?

Success Criteria:

-Is able to explore degree of resonance with the speaker through the contents and delivery of her speech.

-Is able to apply literary/rhetorical devices and evidentiary techniques to discuss the impact of the speech on self.

-Is able to personally connect to and critically reflect on ideas raised in the speech.

-Is able to apply ideas from the speech externally to formulate insights of others in society.

-Is able to write two fully-developed paragraphs with relevance, specificity and substance (depth), and is not just vaguely, choppily and briefly answering sub-questions.

-Revises and edits to ensure that paragraphs are well-organized, unified and that sentences flow smoothly with appropriate transitions, diction, punctuation and grammar.