

MY REVIEW ON THIS PROJECT

STUDENT	
Martina F.	<p>The activity that was proposed to us taught me a lot to understand the value of teamwork. We split into groups and then began our work path which lasted more than a month. My group chose the theme of violence against women and making a video about this issue was complex and delicate. We thought a lot about what to propose in the video, what message to leave and how to present the topic. It was certainly difficult to get everyone's ideas in agreement but in the end the result was satisfactory. We stopped several afternoons in school with the aim of shooting all together. Surely it is an activity that I would recommend to other classes as well because it requires different skills that can be acquired along the way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -teamwork; -cooperation; -respect; -trust; <p>Maybe my team, in general, could have worked better on the details of the video but then the rest was an interesting and enriching experience.</p>
Stefania G.	<p>This activity made me understand and appreciate teamwork and the importance of the connection among the members of the latter. The work was to make a video that would represent Hamlet's dilemma in daily life.</p> <p>My group focused on domestic violence: a sensitive issue that I consider very important but also, unfortunately, widespread.</p> <p>I liked making this video and I think it was very stimulating, especially in being able to obtain a final result that satisfied the ideas of all the members of the group.</p>
Davide P.	<p>This group-work was very interesting not only because it gave us the opportunity to learn new communication techniques such as video-making, but above all made us reflect on important, and not at all trivial, issues that constantly involve our community.</p> <p>In my group we analyzed how violence is never the right answer, but we must take the path of dialogue in a peaceful way, and to do so we decided to enhance dialogue, by producing a video in which a grandfather, during a game of chess, explains to his nephew the reasons why violence should never be used.</p>
Elena P.	<p>I liked this activity because it allowed us to deal with various topics, and make choices in a different way from our daily routine. We students, by creating our videos, have learnt to work in groups, to organize ourselves to present a final product and we also learnt more about the subject matter. It was definitely a challenging job, because you need to spend extra-time outside of the school lessons. Finding afternoons that could fit all the members of a group was not easy, but I think it paid off in the end and it was nice for everyone. Besides, this activity helped us students to learn how to get organized in time, establishing various steps. I got along well with my group, because work was divided equally and each member has committed himself to achieve a good final result.</p>
Marie Q.	<p>This activity was very stimulating and made me appreciate the work behind the making of a video. It was difficult to plan all the work ahead because we didn't, in fact, know what had to be done, so the storyboard we wrote at the beginning wasn't of much use, and a lot of things we wanted to picture weren't shown because of our lack of time and experience. Although writing the dialogues and story was easier than I thought, we made a lot of mistakes during all the progress of</p>

	<p>video making but in the end we learned to adapt finding shortcuts to achieve our objective.</p> <p>The bright side of this project was that it was so fun and stimulating exchanging wild ideas about absurd scenarios of kings and queens and pawns on the battle field, mixing history with our passions and imagination!</p> <p>Also recording and editing were a really insane and ridiculous experiences, to the limit of the grotesque, but thanks to the teamwork and synergy of my teammates we really boosted our spirits and found solutions to all the problems relatively fast and efficiently.</p> <p>In conclusion from this experience I learned a lot about cooperation, teamwork and team and project management, skills I'll surely need in the future in the workplace. But also it helped me understand a little of what huge work there is behind films and cartoons, narrowing my field of choice for the university and my future job.</p>
Giacomo A.	<p>This activity had certainly been very interesting, stimulating, and funny from my point of view.</p> <p>It allowed us to apply ourselves to some types of activities that we normally don't do at school, like video editing.</p> <p>Learning these new skills required a lot of time, but reaching our goal was also very fulfilling.</p> <p>The only con I've found in this project is organisation, in fact it is hard to gather all teammates every single time to work together at the shooting of the video.</p> <p>For example, the footage of our group doesn't show our faces to let us complete it although we couldn't meet all together after school.</p> <p>In summary I would suggest to propose again this activity to make students face a new creative challenge in which they are pushed to improve their teamwork and trying to do their best.</p>
Fabio P.	<p>I never thought I would have the chance to do group work like this, so I would design and actually create a short film. It was a new experience that helped me to understand how many difficulties there are in making such a project. As I said, it wasn't easy, especially getting everyone's ideas together and editing the video. In my life I've edited some videos for fun, even longer, but never as complex as this one.</p> <p>It is a work that I would suggest to other classes, it certainly takes a lot of time but it helps to dig deep into the proposed topic, to work well in groups and to learn English terms that are not usually used.</p> <p>It's a lot of work but it definitely pays off the students and especially the professor. I regretted that we weren't able to watch them all together with the class.</p>
Alessandro M.	<p>Working on a project as this has certainly helped us on how to manage the development of a story. The brainstorming part, where we had to choose the concept to base our story on, was definitely the easiest, as we all immediately agreed on something. Then, the actual writing of the story was trickier, as it would mean choosing the right words for the right character we also had to invent.</p> <p>The actual recording was really fun, as a lot of ideas came from all of my team of new cool shots to use in the end product. I think most of them had a really a lot of potential, and with just some little adjustments could be used in real movies.</p> <p>Finally, the editing took most of our time and was stressful as we had to synchronize subtitles, audio files, extra images and make the video clips flow in the best way possible but I think helped us improve our focus on certain tasks.</p>

	<p>All in all, I would try the same project next year, as I feel that I learned something new that can be really helpful to improve on my filmmaking skills and seeing what my other classmates had achieved really convinced how this is a great new approach to learning new things. I would recommend continuing this idea with future classes and new possible undiscovered movie directors.</p>
Christian Z.	<p>I found this group work really stimulating and fun. I really enjoyed working on a project with my teammates and above all making shots like scenes of a movie. This work was also interesting because it made me delve into a topic of which I did not know the details, namely that of the Russian-Ukrainian war. Through this work I also tried to put myself in the shoes of a guy like me who is going through this bad period. In conclusion, I can only recommend an activity like this because it allows you to learn and take an interest in a topic and at the same time have a pleasant experience with your classmates.</p>
Marina D.	<p>I really enjoyed this activity, because it was a way of working differently from the usual lessons. It was nice to work in a group with my classmates, we got along well and we were able to organize and divide the work equally. It is also a way to learn to work in a group, managing to make a compromise when you have different ideas. It was also an interesting project because you had to work on different things like making up a story, recording a video and writing a text. It was also a satisfying job once finished, so I recommend it to other classes.</p>
Davide C.	<p>I found this job very stimulating, it allowed me to try my hand at a new challenge like that of filming and video editing, things I had never done in my life. This project also helped me to strengthen my bond with my peers and taught me the importance of listening to different points of view for the realization of a product. I did not know before this project how demanding it actually was to make a video even if it was short lasting (5/6 minutes), from the making of the story, the filming to the editing of the video which perhaps is the activity that requires the most time of all.</p>
Camila T.	<p>I think the story -telling experience was very positive and instructive. It was a nice alternative to do school and to deal with a new activity, to spend time with classmates and above all to bring everyone's ideas together. As far as I'm concerned it was my first video montage, I'm sure I will need this experience in the future as well. It was nice to be able to convey a very important message through a video made by us.</p>
Francesco G.	<p>I found this group work very interesting, my group focused on the war and in particular on what is happening now in Ukraine, it was interesting to investigate the causes of the conflict, it was also very pleasant and fun to work with my classmates. this work was also very useful to make us understand what our strengths are and to use all our skills to help your group.</p>
Giorgia T.	

	<p>This experience was very nice. The biggest difficulty for me was writing the diary pages because I'm not a very imaginative person; but by each writing a part of the diary and collaborating, mixing all our ideas, we were able to write the stories at best and I hope the message we tried to convey was understood.</p> <p>We had a lot of fun making these videos through which we tried to convey an important message. Doing this experience in English was very constructive and seeing the result was very satisfying. I am happy to have had this experience with my friends and the result we have achieved.</p>
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