“Her Story” Research Project

You have learned about some ways people tell their stories. Now you will research an author-artist and create a project showing how she tells her story. Here are the steps for your project:

1. Choose your subject - Grace Lin or Faith Ringgold. Both women use their art, books, and other methods to communicate personal narrative. Each has a helpful website - go to gracelin.com or faithringgold.com

2. Research your chosen subject. Use a variety of sources. Take notes about what you learn using the research outline page. Write down where you find your information.

3. Create an interactive folder using the pieces provided. Complete the pieces as described in the outline, and glue them into your folder in the same arrangement as the outline. For example, the “Introducing…” piece goes in the top left corner of the open folder.

4. Label the front of your folder with the person’s name, your name, and any appropriate decoration you wish. If you can print or draw a picture of her, that would be a nice touch!

5. Look over your finished project to be sure it’s your best work. Share it with someone to demonstrate what you’ve learned.
Research Outline

Introducing…
Cut on the solid lines and fold on the dotted lines. Write the person’s name on the line on the front. Inside, write a short biography, like you might find on a book cover.

Research notes:

Sources:

Ways the Story is Told
Cut on the solid lines and accordion fold on the dotted lines. List all the methods (art, website, etc.) you find. Write one on each hexagon. Attach more if needed.

Research notes:

Sources:

Three Important Words
Cut on the solid lines and fold on the dotted lines. Write a word on the outside of each flap and its meaning on the inside. List the new or important words you find here, and then choose three of them.

Research notes:

Sources:

Two Essential Ideas
Cut on the solid lines and the two vertical dotted lines. Fold on the horizontal dotted line. Research statements and artworks made by your subject that show what is important to her. Record them under the labeled flaps.

Research notes:

Sources:
Introducing