

# WHAT I'D BE IF I WASN'T FAMOUS

## Illustration Assignment



*“Illustrate a famous person performing an occupation that they would do if they hadn’t become famous”*

**Objective:** The objective is to create a portrait and likeness of a famous person performing a job that they would do if they had not become famous.

**Materials:** **Thumbnails:** Black & White **Roughs:** Color (your choice of media) **Final Art:** Any Color Media

**Assignment:** People magazine has commissioned you, for the “What If” page, to paint a portrait of a famous person in a job that they would do if they had not become famous. Your job is to choose the famous person. Then create a likeness of that person. The portrait should reflect, through composition, staging, color, value, choice of pose and other objects in the painting, the notably, character, and persona of the famous person. Let all of these things inform the job you choose for them. For instance would Lady Gaga be a hair dresser? Or the devil delivers pizzas?

Before beginning the drawing, do research, both written and visually, to be fully informed about person whom you will be painting.

**Size:** all work proportional to 11” x 14”, final art minimum size is 11” x 14” mounted on 15” x 20” black illustration board.

**Critique number one: 5 thumbnails**

**Critique number two: 1 full color rough**

Thumbnails= 5 points possible  
Research= 5 points possible  
Rough= 10 points possible  
Finished Art= 15 points possible

**35 points total are possible for the project**

**Final art will be mounted on 15” x 20” black board with a Tracing paper cover flap and heavy dark gray cover flap. Tape a 9” x 12” envelope on the back. The envelope will contain: B/W thumbnails, Rough, Practice in-class work and research material.**

# **RESEARCH**

## Famous Person Research Assignment

**Assignment:** The research and reference materials are a **graded** part of this project.

**Describe who the famous person is and what they done and what are famous for?**

**What scandals and public humiliations has the celebrity endured (give us the dirt)?**

**What noble things (save the whales?) has the famous person done?**

**What is their lifestyle like (11 million dollars gold chains)?**

**Other notable attributes?**

**Find a minimum of 20 photos of the famous person. And 20 photos of people doing the occupation you choose for the celebrity.**