

# Homework - 2/11

## Advanced Eng. A1

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**Recap** Today's class introduced "the Hero's Journey" (handout can be [found here](#)).

What is the Hero's Journey?

TedED Video: [What makes a hero? - Matthew Winkler](#)

**Question of the day: What is the "Hero's Journey?" and why is it important?**

Joseph Campbell's Hero's Journey is a storytelling pattern that many stories follow. It has different stages that a hero goes through on their adventure. Here's a simplified explanation:

1. **The Ordinary World:** The hero starts in a normal place where everything seems regular. | Harry Potter lives with his aunt and uncle, unaware of his magical heritage.

2. **Call to Adventure:** Something happens that challenges the hero to leave their ordinary life and go on an adventure. | Moana is called by the ocean to save her island from a curse.
3. **Refusal of the Call:** The hero might hesitate or refuse the adventure at first because they are scared or unsure. | Simba initially refuses to return to Pride Rock in "The Lion King" because he's afraid to face his past.
4. **Meeting the Mentor:** The hero meets someone who helps and guides them on their journey. | In "The Karate Kid," Mr. Miyagi teaches Daniel martial arts and life lessons.
5. **Crossing the Threshold:** The hero leaves their normal world behind and enters the new, unknown world of adventure. | In "The Wizard of Oz," Dorothy crosses the threshold when she lands in the magical land of Oz.
6. **Tests, Allies, and Enemies:** The hero faces challenges, makes friends, and encounters foes along the way. | In "Toy Story," Woody and Buzz face challenges together while trying to get back to Andy's house.
7. **Approach to the Inmost Cave:** The hero gets closer to their main goal but faces their biggest challenges. | In "Finding Nemo," Marlin approaches the dentist's office to rescue his son, Nemo.
8. **The Ordeal:** The hero faces their biggest challenge, often a life-or-death situation. | In "The Hunger Games," Katniss faces off against other tributes in the arena.
9. **Reward (Seizing the Sword):** After overcoming the ordeal, the hero receives a reward or gains new knowledge. | In "Frozen," Elsa learns to accept and control her powers, bringing peace to Arendelle.
10. **The Road Back:** The hero begins the journey back to their ordinary world, but they may still face challenges. | In "Back to the Future," Marty McFly tries to return to his own time after fixing the past.
11. **Resurrection:** The hero faces one final test that shows how much they have grown since the beginning of their journey. | In "The Avengers," Iron Man sacrifices himself to save New York City.
12. **Return:** The hero returns home, bringing something valuable like knowledge or a gift to share with others. | In "The Hobbit," Bilbo returns home with treasure and a newfound sense of bravery.

The Hero's Journey is important because it helps us understand and connect with stories. It shows that even though heroes face challenges, they can overcome them and grow stronger. It's like a roadmap for storytelling, helping writers create exciting adventures that keep us entertained and inspired.

## FAQ

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## Homework:

**Think about what piece of media you want to analyze. Come to class ready to discuss "What makes a Hero"**

**Work on your Hero's Journey Packet - Due 3/17**