Grade Level: 9th grade

Objective: Students will understand the hero archetype and will recognize it in pop culture.

Standard RL 7.2 Investigate how literary texts and related media allude to themes and archetypes from historical and cultural traditions.

Activating Strategy: Watch “The Hero’s Journey in 5 Disney Movies” (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4V7drZMyL5M>)

Guided Practice/Independent Practice: The teacher will explain how to apply the steps of the Hero’s Journey to modern media. Students will work with a partner to pick one character from modern media to analyze. They will list the steps of the Hero’s Journey and then write how their character undergoes each step of the Hero’s Journey.

Closing: Students will volunteer to share how their heroes undergo the steps of the Hero’s Journey.

Assessment: Hero analysis completed during class.