

STEAM Grades 9-12

Project: The Perfect Friend

Summary: Have you ever heard rumors about someone, but when you met them, you thought, “they’re actually amazing.” That’s the problem with the “single story”. This project is to help you see beyond the single story you’re used to hearing and seeing.

Essential Question: Create a chart of your closest friends and explain the single story you have unknowingly created about those who may not have the same culture, religion, skin color, home dynamic, etc.. as you.

Academic Vocabulary:

Succinct: marked by compact precise expression without wasted words

Character: one of the attributes or features that make up and distinguish an individual

Speculate: to take to be true on the basis of insufficient evidence

Perspective: a mental view or prospect

Contradict: to deny or disagree with what is being said

	Description of Activity	What should you share with your teacher?
S cience	<p>Have you ever heard rumors about someone, but when you met them, you thought, “they’re actually amazing.” That’s the problem with the “single story”. This project is to help you see beyond the single story you’re used to hearing and seeing.</p> <p>Please note that the math and science portion are both embedded into this Google Sheet Activity</p>	
T echnology	<p>Click Here to watch video by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie</p>	
E ngineering	<p>Design the perfect friend You must include at least 2 character traits outside of your culture/race</p>	
A rts	<p>Read this article about friendship and challenge yourself to step outside of your normal circle. Go up to someone you haven’t spoken with and create a conversation around friendship. Be ready to discuss</p>	

	the article with your teacher as well.	
M ath	Create a Google sheet to log the hours you spend away from your friend group Beside the time column, write if you missed your friends and if you experienced sadness. In the third column write about what you learned from the new people you spoke with. You'll be able to compare the times you spend with the people to your "perfect friend"	Log your hours and your feelings