Dante’s Inferno Project

The project: In the selection from Dante’s Inferno, we read about Dante’s tour through Hell, where whirling winds torment the souls of those who have sinned in love. Dante envisions Hell as a pit within the earth where sinners are punished in the afterlife for their evil deeds. He designs his Hell as a pit that circles downward with nine specific types of sinners. Your assignment is to design your own nine circles of Hell. Be creative, be original, be unique!

The Visual: 20 Points
- Be drawn/presented on poster paper/board, technology piece (PowerPoint), video, Prezi, etc. (50 points)
- Be visually appealing (read: colorful) and reflect great time and effort (10 points)
- Include and label all nine circles (10 points)
- Include a visual to represent each of the nine circles (10 points)

The Written Explanation: 20 Points
- Include a written portion that explains each circle (each circle should have its own paragraph and should be labeled, meaning you should have 9 (nine) paragraphs total). There is no page limit – just include all nine circles.
- Answer the following questions in each paragraph:
  - What is the sin, wrong-doing, or label for those that inhabit this circle?
  - What will happen to the people who inhabit this circle (punishment/reward)?
  - What characters from literature, TV shows, video games, or movies might be included in this circle?
- Explain why you placed the circles in the order you did. Be specific and be creative!
The paper will be graded as follows:
1. Each paragraph includes ALL 3 questions for ALL 9 circles.
2. There are few or no grammatical mistakes.
3. The paper is well-explained and well-developed.

Overall Work and Creativity: 20 Points
- The overall project is creative; it represents unique thought and effort. The project is uniquely your own.
- The project is high quality and represents an understanding and interpretation of the story.

Here are some suggestions for your circles should you choose to create your own vision of Hell, similar to that of what Dante experienced in The Inferno:
- Murder
- Rape
- Assault
- Fraud
- Drunk Driver
- Drug Dealer
- Pickpocket
- Child Molester

***Should your project portray anything that is offensive, obscene, or inappropriate, you will get a ZERO.
***This project counts as a TEST/PROJECT grade. Take it seriously. This is individual so use your own brain, not someone else’s. This includes resources online.
***You must turn in a copy of this assignment sheet with your complete project.

Due Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2018
Final Grade: _____________________/60 points