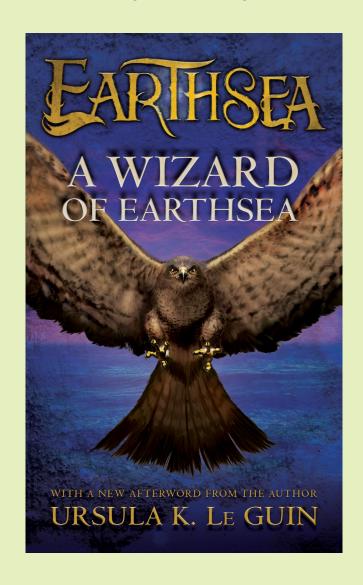
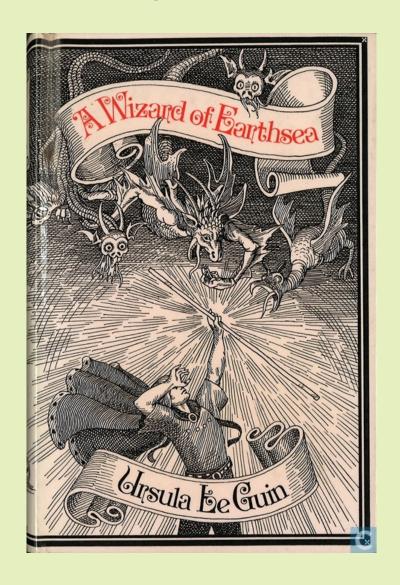
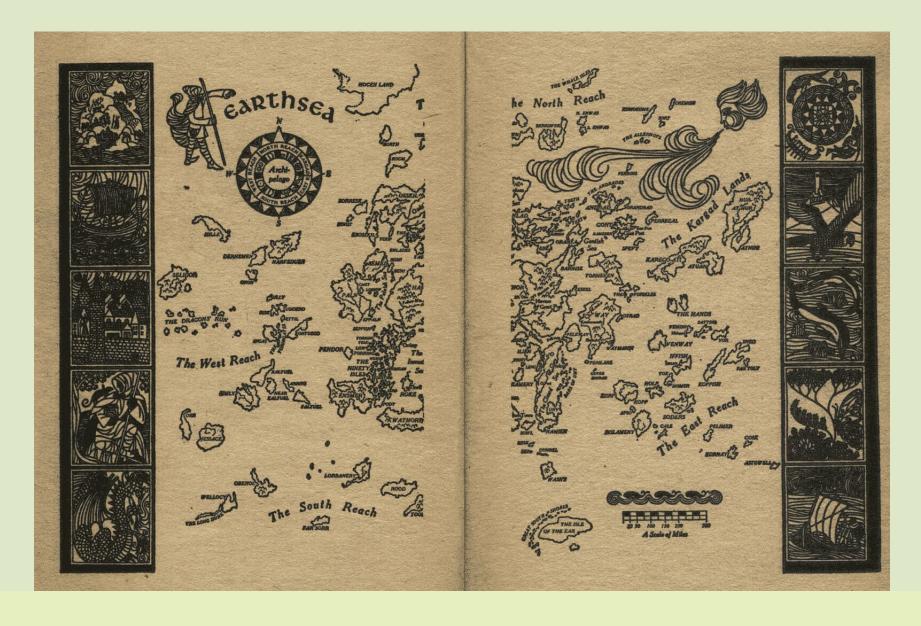
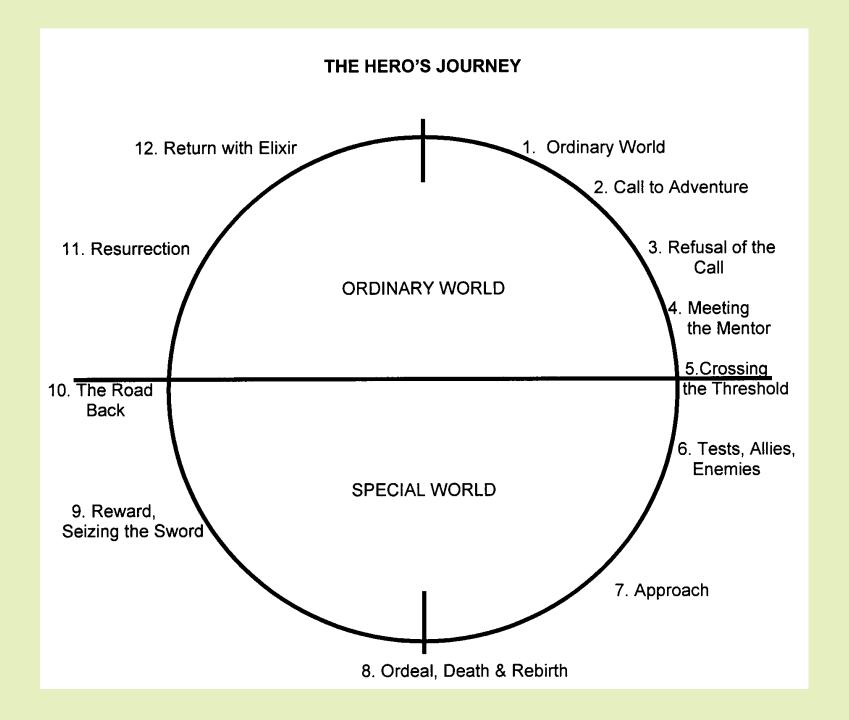
Animation of Imaginary Worlds inspired by Le Guin's *A Wizard of Earthsea*





Le Guin's Imaginary World of Earthsea





Universal Themes in A Wizard of Earth Sea

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Coming of age
    Language (power of secret names)
              Supernatural
                  Power
                  Pride
Humans relationship with the natural world
                Friendship
                Education
                 Choices
              Responsibility
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- Cause and effect
- Integrating the Internal and external world
- Opposites are connected to each other
- Integrating the subconscious and the unconscious
- Balance



Motifs, Images, Symbols and Metaphors

Shadows

Birds

Names

Islands

boats and ships

Travel

Weather

Water



Shadows
"To light a candle is to cast a shadow"



Power of Language

"It is no secret. All the power is one in source and end, I think. Years and distances, stars and candles, water and wind and wizardry, the craft of a man's hand and the wisdom in a tree's roots they all arise together. My name, and yours, and the true name of the sun, or a spring of water, or an unborn child, all are syllables of the great word that is very slowly spoken by the shining of the stars. There is no other power. No other names. '

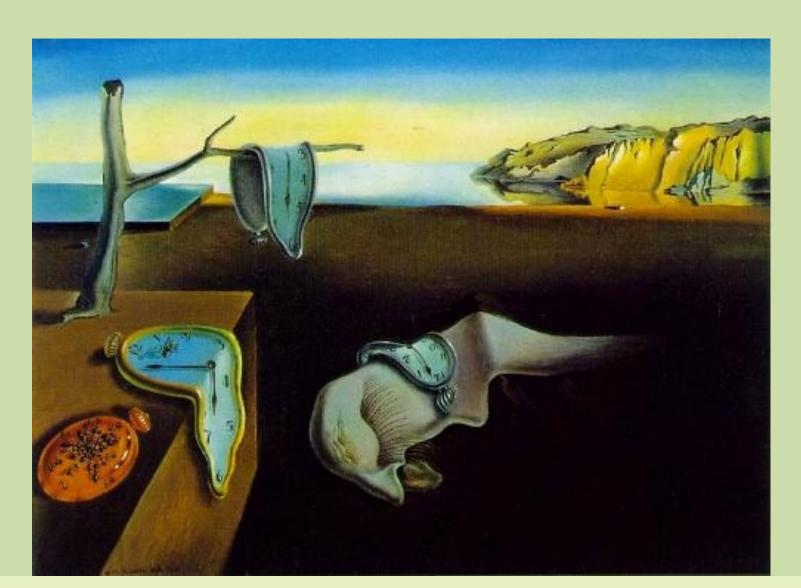
Synectic Triggers for (Creating Imaginary words)

The Greek word synectikos, which means "bringing forth together"

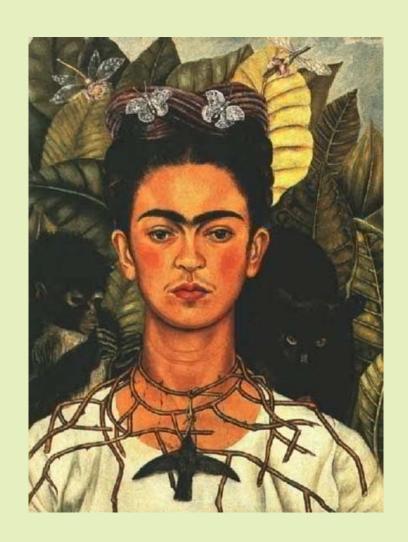
Creative discovery is derived from analogical thinking, the process of linking unlike subjects. Synectics aids discovery by jostling the brain and stretching the imagination to make unique comparisons.



Distort Twist your subject out of its true shape, proportion or meaning



Empathize Sympathize. Relate to your subjects; put yourself in its "shoes."



Substitute Exchange, switch or replace



Contradict the subject's original function.



Combine Bring things together. Connect, arrange, link, unify, mix merge.

Earth/Sea

Change Scale Make your subject bigger or smaller.





"A mighty coneourse of people appeared upon my arrival, full of wonder at the sight of so prodigious a vessel."-Page 78.



Artistic Problem:

Experiment with cut paper stop motion animation to collaboratively create an imaginary world. Incorporate both cycle and replacement movements as well as green screen technique. Groups will combine sequences, add sound and credits to make one animation.