The Hobbit Project

Below is a list of assignments for *The Hobbit*. Each student must complete the essay assignment and then may choose 2 from the list of other assignments. (For those without calculators,...that's THREE assignments in total).

Due Date: ____________________

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As you read *The Hobbit*, you were expected to TIC each chapter of the novel. This was done in an attempt to help you understand the themes that have developed over the course of the novel.

**YOUR TASK:** Choose one of the following essay questions:

1. While Thorin’s concept of wealth is pretty easy to define (gold, silver, jewels, the Arkenstone), Gandalf’s or Bilbo’s ideas of treasure seem a little bit more obscure. What do the different characters in this novel treasure? How do these treasures compare with the material things Thorin wants to collect?

2. What does Bilbo take away from his explorations? What kinds of knowledge does Bilbo’s adventure bring him? How do Bilbo’s explorations change him as a hobbit?

3. Discuss Tolkien’s use of song in *The Hobbit*. What purpose do they serve in the story? What do the songs reveal about the characters who sing them?

4. Discuss *The Hobbit* as a quest story. What is Bilbo Baggins searching for? What success does he have in finding it? What does his success, or lack of it, mean for him and others?

Your essay must be five paragraphs long and include:
- An Introduction
- Three Body Paragraphs (each body paragraph must include a minimum of 2 quotes to support your ideas)
- A Conclusion

Your essay must be a minimum of 500 words, typed, size 12, Times New Roman or Arial font.
Travel Journal Writing
Write a Travel Journal from the point of view of one of the characters in the novel. You must include 5 journal entries that span the novel. Each journal entry must be approximately half a page, typed and double spaced. Size 12 Times New Roman or Arial font.

Hobbit Theme Collage
Theme has been a major focus of the TTIICCSS that you have been working on. Your Task will be to create a collage base on ONE of the themes of The Hobbit. Your collage will be on an 8.5 X 11 piece of paper. Images can either come from the Internet or magazines.

On the back of your collage include a paragraph (minimum 150 words) explaining how this theme is shown throughout the novel.

Comic Strip
Draw a comic strip (minimum 6 frames) on an important event in the novel. Your comic strip must be coloured and hand drawn and include speech bubbles, etc. On the back of your comic strip, write a paragraph explaining why this event is considered to be important.

Advertisement
Design an advertisement for The Hobbit. Remember to focus on who your audience is, why you want them to read the book, and how to attract their attention. Write a one paragraph description of the advertisement: What choices did you have to make in its creation? How did these choices influence the final product?

Soundtrack
Make a soundtrack for The Hobbit by choosing at least 10 popular songs. For each song, explain in a few sentences why you chose the song and how it relates to the events or characters in the book. (You can use quotes if you want to.)

Assessment:

Essay /18
Project #1 /18
Project #2 /18

Total: /54

DON'T LET THIS BE YOU. START WORKING RIGHT AWAY!!!