Walk in My Shoes Activity
Inspired by *TKAM*

In *TKAM*, Atticus tells Scout, “You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view . . . until you climb into his skin and walk around in it.” Today, you will embark on a Creative Writing activity where you will imagine what a person is like based upon their shoes. To do so, you need to log into a computer and open up the Internet. Then navigate to the Amazon apparel site. (This is hyperlinked here for you, just hit command and click on the link.) Once opened, find a pair of shoes that inspires you. Please print out a picture of the shoe to be turned in with the attached handout.

Next, envision the person who would own this shoe and answer the questions on the Walking Shoes handout about him/her.

Thirdly, you will plan construction of a narrative about your “person” from the questionnaire. To do so you should plan out the story of your character using THIS TOOL. Please view the demo and complete the steps outlined there. You are to have a MINIMUM of 5 entries in your diagram. The entries should display a beginning, middle, and end to your tale about your “shoe” character. Please be sure to print this out.

Finally, you will write a story about your character following the plot circle you have created online. Your story should meet the following criteria:

- Focuses a clear, well-defined incident or series of related events.
- Develops plot, character, and setting with specific detail.
- Orders events clearly.
- Uses description and dialogue as appropriate to develop setting and character.
- Shows events rather than just telling about them.
- Establishes and maintains a tone and point of view.
- Uses a logical and effective pattern of organization, such as chronological order, flashback, or flash forward.
- Uses transitional words and phrases to maintain coherence and establish sequence within and between paragraphs.

Most of all, you should HAVE FUN with this.

Once done, you need to hand in your shoe picture, the completed questionnaire, your plot circle diagram, and your completed narrative. This is due in class next time.

Worth: 50 points.