

### Photo assignment!

You are a photo journalist hired to make a visual report on the Romantic era!

Assignment:

1) Take 5 photographs from your daily life that represents each of the characteristics of Romantic art. (5 photos in all.)

-Imagination

-Intuition

-Idealism

-Inspiration

-Individuality

-Can be at home, at school, at the park or mall, anywhere!!

-Use a digital camera, phone, or computer cameras to photograph your images.

-Once your photos are taken, upload them to Microsoft Word and place them in one document together

2) Each photo should have a brief written explanation of what your image is and how your image is representing one of the characteristics of Romanticism

**Include the definition of the "I" words your images are representing in each paragraph description.**

# Imagination



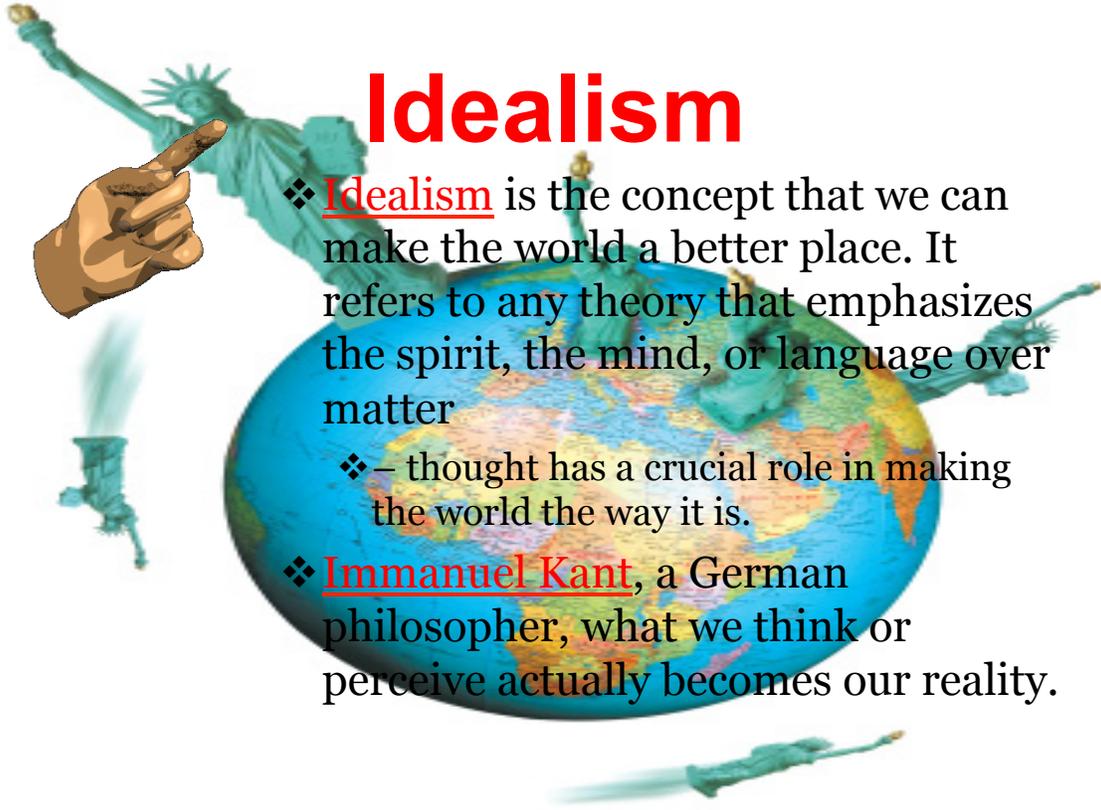
- ❖ Imagination was emphasized over “reason.”
- ❖ This was a backlash against the rationalism characterized by the Enlightenment period or “Age of Reason.”
- ❖ Imagination was considered necessary for creating all art.
- ❖ British writer Samuel Taylor Coleridge called it “intellectual intuition.”

# Intuition



- ❖ Romantics placed value on “intuition,” or feeling and instincts, over reason.
- ❖ Emotions were important in Romantic art.
- ❖ British Romantic William Wordsworth described poetry as “the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings.”

# Idealism



- ❖ Idealism is the concept that we can make the world a better place. It refers to any theory that emphasizes the spirit, the mind, or language over matter
  - ❖ – thought has a crucial role in making the world the way it is.
- ❖ Immanuel Kant, a German philosopher, what we think or perceive actually becomes our reality.

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# Inspiration



- ❖ The Romantic artist, musician, or writer, is an “inspired creator” rather than a “technical master.”
- ❖ Inspiration means “going with the moment” or being spontaneous, rather than “getting it precise.”

# Individuality



❖ Romantics celebrated the individual—their talents, character and needs.

During this time period, Women's Rights and Abolitionism were taking root as major movements.

❖ Walt Whitman, a later Romantic writer, would write a poem entitled "Song of Myself": it begins, "I celebrate myself..."