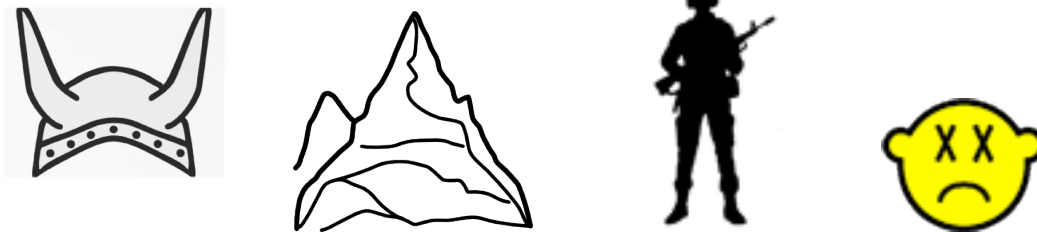


**Narrative Art Assignment
The 4-Icon Challenge**

Due by class **Tuesday, Oct 30th**

Narrative Art is art that tells a story. You have encountered many examples of narrative art over the course of this semester. In this assignment, you are asked to reduce the storyline of a work of art to its basic elements. For example, for the *Victory Stele of Naram-Sin*, the basic elements might be “ruler, mountain, soldiers, the conquered.” Next, take these basic elements and reduce them further to simple icons.

In Icon Form, the *Victory Stele of Naram-Sin* might look like this:



Instructions

1. Choose any example of narrative art from your textbook to work on. Your example **must be a work of art**. You can make your own icons or find ones on the web as I did for the example above.
2. Write a 250-word paragraph explaining your choice of icons to represent the narrative in your work of art.

This assignment is modeled on the 4-icon challenge by the graphic designer Kyle Tezak. Take a look at how Tezak reduces his favorite books and movies to 4 icons at <http://kyletezak.com/portfolio/the-four-icon-challenge/>. *Please remember that you must reduce a work of art to 4 icons, not a movie nor a movie.*

You may submit your assignment on paper, as a blog post, or via email by Tuesday, Oct 30th.