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Assignment 5.2

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**Front-End Style Guide**

* Color Palette
  + Primary Colors:
    - Black: #000000
    - Gold: #FFD700
  + Secondary Colors:
    - Purple: #800080
    - Navy Blue: #000080
  + Neutral Color:
    - White: #FFFFFF

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**Interview**

1. What is your name?

* Yves Saint Laurent Alexandria Wiggins

1. Is there any significance or backstory to your name?

* My mother had a simple name and did not want any of her kids to have such plain names. She named me after things and places she liked: the designer: Yves Saint Laurent and the city, Alexandria, Virginia. I looked up the meanings behind my name and they play a role in how I see myself and conduct myself in the world. Yves (Eve) is Hebrew for life. Alexandria is the female version of Alexander, meaning defender of mankind.

1. What are your hobbies?

* I read and write. I sing, dance, listen, and compose music.

1. How long have you been engaging in and developing your hobbies?

* I would say all my life in varying degrees. I have been actively and purposefully writing since the 8th grade. I have been singing in plays and pageants since I was six years old. My earlies memories are of me dancing in a circle as my parents played music on the weekends until I wore myself out.

1. When did you discover you had a talent for each of your hobbies?
   * I was encouraged by my 8th grade English teacher on my writing and believed that I could do something with it if I just tried. My parents were musically inclined and loved music as a part of life. My dad taught me how to properly listen to music and break it down to its parts. Singing and dancing just sprouted from my love of music.
2. Do you have any mentors to help you develop any of your hobbies?
   * Since the 8th grade, every English teacher I had noticed my writing skills and encouraged me to explore it. The teacher that had the most impact was Mrs. Petty. I had her for an English teacher for two years, a Creative Writing teacher one year, and for homeroom for three years out of the four years of high school. My state participated in writing portfolios to gauge the writing development and growth of its students. For Seniors, it was as important as the state testing, and the schools incentivized the students to do well so that the school did well.
   * Music was a part of life in my household. Music was constantly playing, setting the tone of the day. My mother wrote educational raps that made her a regional/local superstar and encouraged my writing to take on a musical direction. As stated before, my dad helped train my ear to truly appreciate, feel, and analyze music. They both notice my joy in singing and dancing and helped me whenever there was some talent show, play, or program that I was a part of to perform at my best.
3. Did you have role models or celebrities that inspired you?
   * Sojourner Truth wrote provocative speeches for women’s rights and advocated for black rights. She felt torn between both causes and still put all of herself in work to ‘fight the good fight,” thus pushing the Women’s Suffrage Movement Forward.
   * Fredrick Douglas was instrumental in bringing to light the plights and injustices of slavery. He wrote and spoke with conviction, purpose, and passion in his just cause. He was an advisor to President Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War and pleaded the case that black men have stake in the war and should serve. He advises President Lincoln through pivotal times of unrest for the black freedom. His words and actions had a direct impact on the course of history.
   * I enjoy all music in all its forms, so I have an appreciation for artists and what they have and can bring to the music tapestry. The ones that stand out the most are legends, to me, that are unique, have a long career, and I personally enjoy everything that they have produced such as Micheal Jackson, Beyonce, Eminem, Lisa “Left-Eye” Lopes of TLC, Rihanna, Aaliyah, Alicia Keys, Keyisha Cole, Dixie Chicks, Mariah Carey, Whitney Houston, and Adele.
4. Can you give me an estimate of how many hours you devote to your hobbies?
   * Not as much as I would like. I have made dancing my daily exercising routine for a minimum of 30 mins. I write for an hour daily, and I read when I can. I don’t get to belt out any vocals like I used to because the whole apartment complex would hear me, but I still carry a tune.
5. What is a good estimate of how much you may spend on each of your hobbies?
   * Too much. I have a pen addiction, a journal obsession, a plethora of books in different genres, and a passion for physical musical media of my favorite artists. I try to keep it under $50 monthly as a limit.
6. Have you received any recognition or awards for any of your hobbies?
   * Yes. I have received awards for my writing, mostly my poetry. I have won grants and scholarships for writing. I did articles for three local papers for different projects and time periods while in high school. I have published three poems.
7. Do you share your hobbies with other people?
   * My mother, dad, and brother all have a love for music. We could be a band. We all can sing to various degrees, rap, compose/produce, and dance. We all share the one regret of not picking up and learning an instrument, but maybe that’s for the next generation.
8. Do you have any plans to make income off any of your hobbies, or are they all just for your enjoyment?
   * I plan to write professionally. I have several writing projects in the works, and I am working towards publishing my first book by the end of 2025.
9. What are some long-term goals you have for your hobbies?
   * I want to be an accomplished writer. I want that to be my next career endeavor.
10. What enjoyment do you get from your hobbies that enriches your life?
    * My musical hobbies are just for me and my family. Music helps me get through things, to get through life, and that will never change.
    * Writing has and has always been my outlet for my emotions. I feel a lot and thus have a lot to say. My words have purpose, and I believe they can reach others, for the better.

**Short Bio**

Yves Saint Laurent Alexandria Wiggins is a multifaceted individual whose name reflects both personal significance and a deep connection to culture. Named after the legendary designer Yves Saint Laurent and the city of Alexandria, Virginia, her name carries meanings of life and the defense of mankind, which she embodies through her work and actions.

Yves has nurtured her passion for writing, music, and dance since childhood. She began writing seriously in the 8th grade. Mrs. Paulette Petty played a pivotal role in her literary development to take writing to the next level. Music was constant in her household. Both of Yves’s parents fostered love for singing and dancing. Her father taught her to appreciate music on a deeper level, while her mother’s educational rap inspired her to delve into the writing/producing side to music.

There is a long list of influences that shapes how Yves sees the world, expresses herself, and connects to others. Yves admires figures like Sojourner Truth and Frederick Douglass for their powerful words and activism. Icons like Michael Jackson, Beyoncé, and Eminem inspired her musical outlets and impacted her style. These role models have shaped her approach to life and creativity.

Yves balances her hobbies with a busy life by incorporating time daily to writing and dancing as part of her routine. Her writing has earned recognition, including poetry awards and publications. She plans to pursue a professional writing career, with aspirations to publish her first book by 2026.

For Yves, her hobbies provide both personal joy and an outlet for self-expression. Music helps her navigate life's challenges and writing offers a powerful means of connection.

**Images**

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