**Playwright Webquest**

**To answer the following questions, please use the websites provided.**

1. What are their best-known works (list 3)?

2. What types of plays does this person write? Comedy? Tragedy? Tragicomedy?

3. What are some important events that happened to them? (Biographical information)

4. What are some major social issues this playwright explores? What is this writer’s stand on political issues, economic issues, social issues, religious issues, etc.?

5. How are the writings/beliefs of this playwright relevant (or not) today?

6. How do you feel about your playwright now (like/dislike)? Why?

SITES FOR

BALDWIN:

<http://www.biography.com/people/james-baldwin-9196635>

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americanmasters/james-baldwin-about-the-author/59/>

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems-and-poets/poets/detail/james-baldwin>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/02/16/podcasts/the-tragically-chronic-relevance-of-james-baldwin.html?_r=0>

HELLMAN:

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americanmasters/lillian-hellman-about-lillian-hellman/628/>

<http://www.nytimes.com/learning/general/onthisday/bday/0620.html>

<http://www.economist.com/node/21552535>

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/entertainment/theater_dance/lillian-hellman-is-once-again-a-presence-in-washington/2017/01/26/321462da-e199-11e6-a453-19ec4b3d09ba_story.html?utm_term=.efcf285934a9>

SIMON:

<http://www.biography.com/people/neil-simon-9484352>

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americanmasters/neil-simon-about-neil-simon/704/>

<http://www.cnn.com/2015/07/22/us/neil-simon-fast-facts/>

<http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2010/05/03/master-of-revels>

WILLIAMS:

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americanmasters/tennessee-williams-about-tennessee-williams/737/>

<http://www.biography.com/people/tennessee-williams-9532952>

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems-and-poets/poets/detail/tennessee-williams>

<http://www.nytimes.com/books/00/12/31/specials/williams-legacy.html>