**DTC 375 Language, Texts, & Technology**

**2.2**

**Directions: Please follow the directions below. Note that this assignment counts as pop test #2. It is due, without exception, as a hard copy turned in to me before class starts.**

As homework before class

1. Search Wikipedia for the language and writing system assigned your group.
2. Read about the writing system.
3. Answer the questions below.

Note: You will produce a digital version of this assignment to use during class; you will also turn in a hard copy of this assignment to me at the beginning of class. It counts as pop test #2.

During class

1. Using the digital version of your assignment, meet with your collaborators and develop a final version as a Google Doc that will be presented to the class. You will have 15 minutes to consolidate and prepare your final version.
2. Each group will have 5 minutes able to read your responses.
3. We will spend the last 15 minutes of class discussing your findings.

**Languages to study:**

* Vietnamese
* Hebrew
* Oromo
* Georgian
* Persian
* Hawaiian
* Sanskrit
* Navajo

**Questions to answer:**

* How old is the language? The writing system?
* What family of languages did it originate from?
* How many people use this system?
* What countries is it found in?
* What if any other languages influenced it?
* How many language variations are there?
* How many characters are included?
* How many vowels are there? Consonants?
* Are there diacritical marks? If so, how do they function?
* Are the nouns gendered? If so, what are they?
* What is the sentence syntax?