National Portrait Gallery Exercise – 25 points (about 3% of the course grade) SCIE258

Norwich Science Program

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Acknowledgment: Part I of this exercise is based closely on material authored by previous SCIE258 instructors

Instructions: Please do this assignment on your own, or in teams of two. If you work as a team, note that you may not work with the same partner on more than one assignment (unless stated otherwise). It is possible that some exhibits have been closed or moved since the assignment was finalized. If you encounter any problems, use your own best judgment to complete this assignment to the greatest extent possible and make a note of any difficulties encountered.

Below is a list of about 65 portraits scattered throughout the gallery. We have provided the room number and name for these portraits. Most, but not all, are relevant to our course.

Part I (10 points): Choose 30 of these portraits, including at least 5 women and at least one portrait from each room listed. For each chosen portrait: (1) next to the name on this sheet, write the museum item number, which can be found on the item placard adjacent to the portrait; and (2) write a few words identifying the occupation or claim to fame of the individual.

Room	Name	Item number	Occupation/claim to fame
4	William Shakespeare		
5	Oliver Cromwell		
5	King Charles II		
6	John Ray		
6	Robert Boyle		
6	Thomas Hobbes		
7	John Dryden		
7	Samuel Pepys		
8	John Locke		
8	Sir Isaac Newton		
10	Sir Christopher Wren		
10	Jonathan Swift		
11	John Wesley		
13	Hans Sloane		
13	Lady Mary Wortley		
	Montague		
13	Edmond Halley		
13	Erasmus Darwin		
13	James Watt		
13	Matthew Boulton		
13	John Harrison		
13	Josiah Wedgewood		

14	George Washington	
14	Captain James Cook	
14	Benjamin Franklin	
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18	Robert Bakewell	
18	Mary (Wollstonecraft)	
10	Shelley	
18	William Herschel	
18	John Dalton	
18	Humphrey Davy	
18	Edward Jenner	
18	Thomas Paine	
18	Robert Burns	
18	John Keats	
18	Jane Austen	
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19	Charles Waterton	
19	Sir John Soane	
19	George Stephenson	
19	Isambard Brunel	
17		
23	Florence Nightingale	
	(within a group)	
	((() initial a group)	
27	Charles Darwin	
27	Thomas Huxley	
27	Robert Stephenson	
27	Richard Owen	
27	Charles Lyell	
27	William Perkin	
27	William Huggins	
27	Baron Joseph Lister	
27	Thomas Graham	
27	Michael Faraday	
27	William Thomson, Baron	
	Kelvin	
31	Amy Johnson	
31	Ernest Shackelton	
31	Aldous Huxley	
31	Winston Churchill	
31	Beatrix Potter	
31	James Joyce	
31	TS Eliot	
32	Princess Diana	
32	Queen Elizabeth II	
32	Paul McCartney	
32	Dorothy Hodgkin	
32	Nelson Mandela	

Part II (10 points): Choose two of the 30 people you identified in Part I, making sure to choose people who have relevance to our course. For each of the two chosen people, write 1-2 paragraphs describing that person and their portrait. Briefly address questions such as: What is interesting about the portrait and what specifically is in it? Why is this person considered important enough to have a portrait in the gallery? Why is this person relevant to our course?

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Part III (5 points): Of the 30 people you identified in Part I, how many are women? How many are female scientists? Write a paragraph (100-200 words) expressing your own explanation of these results and discussing how a modern historian of science can interpret them.