Walt Whitman 1 Portfolio

1. Read the poem “One’s Self I Sing” and discuss the poem as regards its relationship to democracy.

2. Research on Whitman’s “cataloguing technique” and discuss “I Hear America Singing” in terms of cataloguing technique.

3. Does Whitman’s persona advocate any kind of hierarchy in the society in his poem “I Sing the Body Electric”?

4. How is Whitman’s approach to different organs of the body characterized in his poem “I Sing the Body Electric”?

5. What is Whitman’s gender politics? How is it reflected in these three poems?