**Cultural Connections Project 2: Animated Duologue with Powtoon**

Start by writing a script for a duologue which is a reproduced conversation between yourself and another person from the host culture. Try to pick a scenario in which your conversation helped you learn something about the host culture, preferably from one of your booked AirBnb experiences or some meetup group. Write down what each speaker said in turn. The time, place, and circumstances should be clear from what the speakers say.

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Start by creating a new Powtoon. There are many templates available, but you can probably start with a blank Powtoon for maximum flexibility. Different style or "look" options are provided for blank Powtoons including modern edge, whiteboard, cartoon, and infographic. I would suggest animating characters with either the modern edge or cartoon look.

Script and Record: The next step is to script out your duologue or dialogue between two persons and record your audio voiceover in Powtoon. The audio recording step also involves creating blank Powtoon slides that coincide with different segments of your script, so if you have an introductory segment that is ten seconds long, you will create a slide that displays for at least ten seconds. The purpose of this step is to outline your presentation using the audio, so the graphics you bring in for the last step align perfectly with the audio. This tutorial from Powtoon discusses the audio creation step:

<https://www.powtoon.com/labs/tutorials/how-to-make-an-animated-explainer-video-step-2-record-voiceover/>

Produce Your Animation: The final step is to add appropriate visuals to each of your slides. Powtoon comes with existing graphic elements and backgrounds to help tell your story. This tutorial from Powtoon discusses how to work with graphics in the program:

<https://www.powtoon.com/labs/tutorials/how-to-make-an-animated-explainer-video-step-3-add-visuals/>

Export and Share: When you are pleased with your Powtoon, click "preview and export" in the upper right-hand corner of the screen. There are different options for uploading your work to other sites, or for downloading your work as a .mp4 file. For our purposes, please download the .mp4 of your work and on your Weebly portfolio page under cultural connection project 2 there is already a video block that you will click to upload your video file.