## FAST MULTIMEDIA COMPOSITIONS: Nine Ideas.

- 1. **Annotate an ordinary object**. See Gustav Peebles' "A Wicked Cheat: ATMs and the Neo-Feudal Economy" (*Harper's* June 2004).
- Create an interactive, annotated map. Google Maps > Create a <u>Custom Map</u> > Add <u>placemarks and search results</u> > (& images & commentary...)
- 3. Crowdsource the research process. Use SurveyMonkey & social media to create a unique inquiry and data set.
- 4. Create an annotated, embeddable slide show. Almost any photo-hosting platform allows this (see Flickr, for instance).
- 5. Write a satirical news story. See *The Onion*, "<u>New Report Finds</u> <u>Climate Change Caused by 7 Billion Key Individuals</u>" (and a zillion other examples).
- 6. **Create a gif essay**. See, for example, this Tumblr, "<u>I'm Having an</u> <u>Essay Crisis.</u>"
- 7. Create a meme. Look at <u>memegenerator.net</u> for ideas and tools.
- 8. **Create an infographic**. <u>Piktochart</u> is excellent, free, and allows students to create visually attractive graphic representations of nearly any kind of writing.
- 9. Create a comic narrative or argument or annotated bibliography. Try <u>StripGenerator</u> or <u>BitStrips</u>.

Think of these tools as ways to *adapt* writing projects, *invent* materials for writing, or *reflect* on writing projects.