**English 11/12 Honors: Tolkien Name:**

**Mr. Fisher**

**A New Fellow for the Fellowship**

Introduction: Every time Elrond wants something annoying done, he turns to his go-to bureaucratic elf, Beeadir. “Hey, Beeadir! Please get me some water!” he demanded at the Council of Elrond, for instance. Anyway, Elrond is annoyed that the Fellowship of the Ring has only nine members. If they had ten, they’d have a nice, round number! Hence, he has decided to task Beeadir with finding a tenth member. One problem, though: the Middle-earth community is already upset with the disproportionate number of hobbits on the journey. If he adds another hobbit, elf, dwarf or wizard, he could upset the delicate power balance of the Fellowship and perhaps destroy it. He needs a new type of being. So, he said to his favorite bureaucrat, “Hey, Beeadir! Find me a new Fellow!” Beeadir, being the paper-pusher that he is, placed an ad in the local newspaper, *The Middle-earth Monitor*, and is now receiving applications! Your job is to apply!

Task: You must:

* Get into a group with three to five students. This will now be known as your “Fellowship Group.”
* Create a new “being” or “creature” that exists in Middle-earth (and it can’t be one that already exists).
* Create a new character who is one of these new “beings” or “creatures.”
* Then, using this information, apply for the job!
* **The application must include:**
  + - **A picture of the applicant**
    - **A profile of the new creatures (written in paragraph form):**
      * What do they look like?
      * Where do they live? Habitat?
      * What do they eat?
      * What are their best qualities?
      * What are their worst qualities?
      * Any magical powers?
      * TIP: Think about how Tolkien created his “beings” (Elves, dwarfs, men, and so on). What qualities did he specify for them?
    - **A resume that includes:**
      * A name, an address and contact information
      * A list of prior experiences that qualify him or her for the position
      * What weapons he or she is trained to use.
      * Any skills that he or she has that would qualify him or her for the position.
    - **A completed application questionnaire (see attached questionnaire).**

Grade: You will be graded based on the following rubric:

Failing Poor Flawed Good Nearly Perfect

Group Participation/Effort 1 2 3 4 5

All Requirements Are Met 1 2 3 4 5

Detail: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Presentation of Materials 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

(Includes quality of writing)

“Hireability” 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Creativity and Originality 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Grade: /50

**Fellowship Application Form**

**Applicant Information**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Background Questions for Applicants:**

How did you first hear about our quest?

Can you commit a full year to our quest?

What are your feelings about Sauron?

Do you have any strong feeling about any other group of beings or races? If so, what are your feelings?

What is the longest you have ever gone without eating? How was the experience?

Do you have any military experience? If so, what did you do?

**Hypothetical Questions for Applicants:**

If you were walking in the woods alone and saw an army of 25 orcs, what would you do? Why?

Would you want to one day rule the world? Why or why not?

Falling off a cliff are the hobbit, Frodo, and you mother. You can save just one. Who do you pick? Why?

Imagine you have been walking for two weeks with little food or water. The Fellowship is both tired and cranky. What would you do try to cheer up your comrades?