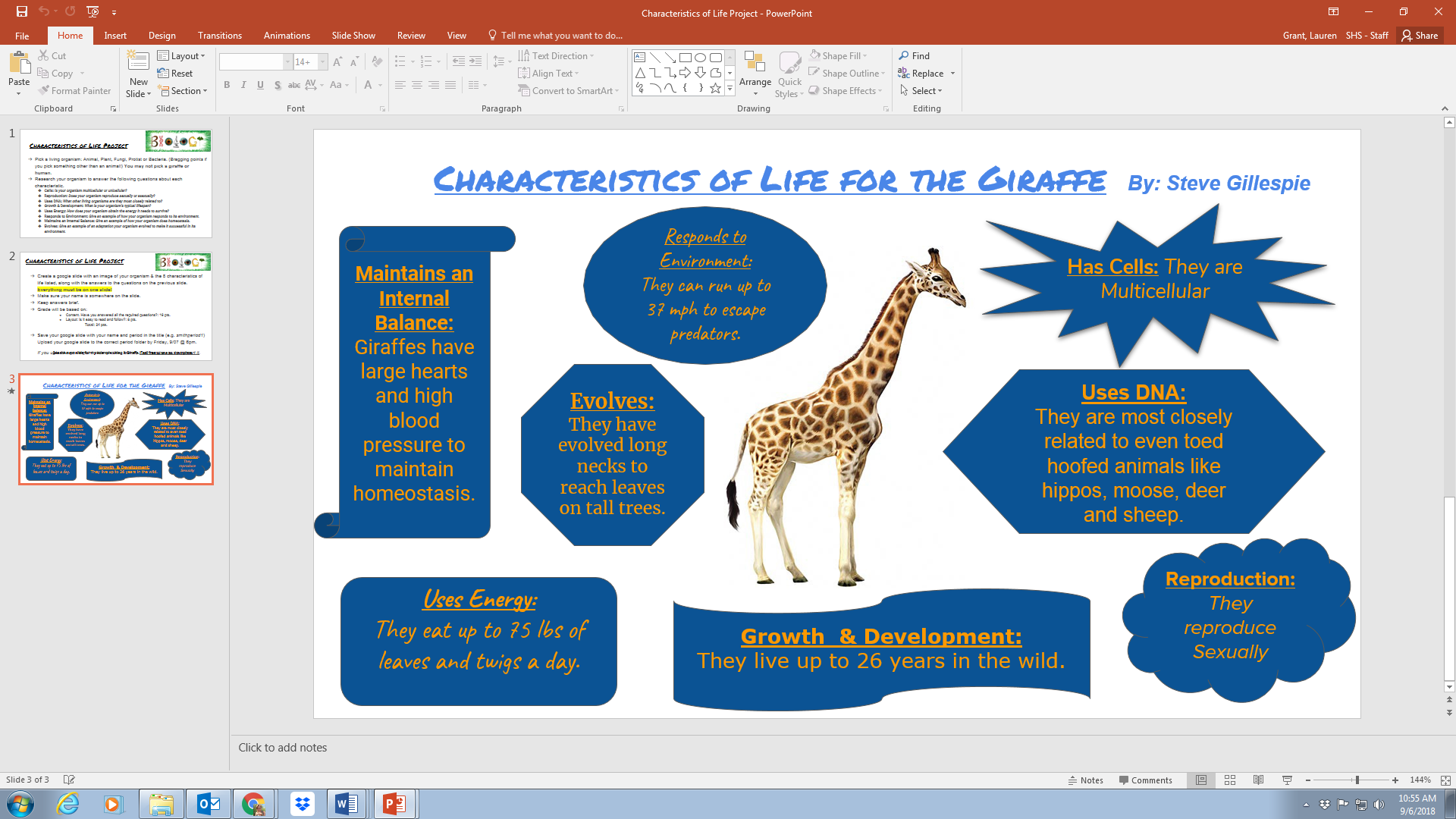
**Characteristics of Life:** Organism Project



**EXAMPLE:** DO NOT COPY. You may **not** use the giraffe!

1. Pick an organism:
   1. Animal,
   2. Plant,
   3. Fungi,
   4. Protista
   5. Bacteria.

(Bragging points if you pick something other than an animal!) You may not pick a giraffe or human.

1. Research your organism to answer the following questions about each characteristic.
   1. **Cells**: Is your organism multicellular or unicellular?
   2. **Reproduction**: Does your organism reproduce sexually or asexually?
   3. **Uses DNA:** What other living organisms are they most closely related to?
   4. **Growth & Development**: What is your organism’s typical lifespan?
   5. **Uses Energy**: How does your organism obtain the energy it needs to survive?
   6. **Responds to Environment**: Give an example of how your organism responds to its environment.
   7. **Maintains an Internal Balance**: Give an example of how your organism does homeostasis.
   8. **Evolves**: Give an example of an adaptation your organism evolved to make it successful in its environment.
2. Create a mini poster **on a 8.5/11 piece of paper** to display this information
   1. Use one page **only**
   2. Include a drawing or picture of the organism
   3. Write out what each characteristic is, and **briefly** describe how the creature demonstrates it.
   4. You may type out these descriptions and glue them in, or hand-write them