Stolen Book project explanation:

For my project, we were prompted to create a book using none of our own content as we were encouraged to steal and plagiarize all of the content within this project from other people making it so that none of our own work is within this project. Lately, with the basketball season starting recently, I've been spending a lot of time watching the games and following/reading the slam magazine which features articles on basketball players outside of basketball and often includes collages of players within these magazines. This served as my inspiration behind this project as I wanted to use these collages of some of the best basketball players in history as the art that I stole. For the text, I wanted my idea to be centered around dreams and goals, as many around the world dream about making it to the NBA, however, only a few make it, and even fewer as regarded as the greatest. Because of this, I wanted to use collages of some of the best players to ever play, using collages from when they were younger, and at the peak of their careers. For the text, I wanted to use guotes from analysts and scouters on these players and how they used to be doubted in different ways versus quotes of them now speaking about their greatness and how they changed the game. I wanted to contrast these two ideas as it shows how often the dreams of these players were downplayed, and despite this, they still achieved their goals and became highly successful in their own respect. For the poem on the front page, since we couldn't write anything on our own, I decided to have an AI write a poem about goals and dreams. Also, on the back of the book, I had taken the signatures of the players and put them there, so it gave the impression that they had signed the back of the book.