DIRECTIONS for GIMP ASSIGNMENT #2 – Celebrity Magazine Cover

1) You will be making a magazine cover "from scratch," using the photo editing program GIMP.

2) You should already have found the following pictures (or similar) and saved them to your flash drive folder:

   a) Three Magazine Title banners (eg. Rolling Stone, People, etc)
   b) Four to Six Celebrity Pictures

3) Open GIMP.

4) Open your magazine banners in GIMP.

5) Create a new transparent background file that is the same size as your magazine banner.

6) Copy and paste your magazine banner as a new layer on your newly created transparent background file.

7) Once your banner is pasted as a new layer on the transparent background file, remove any background color or images that may be present in order to make the image have a transparent background.

8) Next, create a new file (Control N) that is an 8.5" x 11" transparent sheet. This file will be the blank magazine file onto which you will paste all of your images and magazine banner.

9) Copy your new transparent magazine banner image and paste it as a new layer onto your blank 8.5" x 11" magazine layout.

10) Follow this same procedure for any images that you will be using for your magazine layout.

11) Your magazine cover should be made up from several layers such as the following examples:
   a. Blank magazine background layer that is 8.5" x 11"
   b. Magazine logo layer
   c. At least four text box layers (each with a text box)
   d. At least five picture layers (each with pictures of celebrities)