Chapter Three Assignment

Out of the 6 films I watched for my chapter two assignment, the movie I enjoyed and was most inspired by was *A Nightmare on Elm Street*. *A Nightmare on Elm Street* definitely stands the test of time. The films antagonist, Freddy Krueger is one of the most recognizable and iconic villains in film. This film has gone on to spawn several sequels making it a very profitable franchise. The film has also inspired countless films makers to pursue a career I horror. It has also inspired many other films.

Bollywood did a remake for the first five Nightmare movies all in one called Mahakaal. The Wachowski’s have said that *A Nightmare on Elm Street* inspired them to do *The Matrix* which isn’t even a horror film.

I think the film I wanted to bring I want to right is similar in tone to *A Nightmare on Elm Street*. I want my antagonist to be a figure that toys with his prey and the protagonist much like Freddy Krueger. The people that Freddy Krueger is preying on are children. The character I have created is preying on children as well. My character does not come for the children in their dreams, he is supernatural, but he comes for them in the real world. I want to create a tense atmosphere like *A Nightmare on Elm Street.* You really didn’t know what was going to happen next, and when Freddy Krueger caught up to his victim you didn’t know how he was going to kill them. A nightmare on Elm Street was legitimately scary and used practical effects rather than CGI, mostly because at the time that’s all they had. My film would require some computer based effect but very minimal. I would say A nightmare on Elm Street is the sole inspiration of my film.