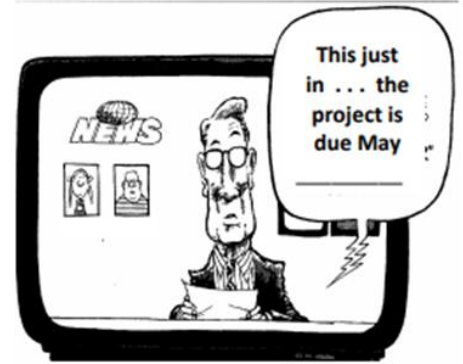


FRESHMEN SPRING 2020 PROJECT



Your group assignment is to create a newscast of a time period from a list of topics discussed in class. The newscast should be recorded and sent to me by the due date. Your newscast should include at least 3 from the following:

- A "lead" story
- News on the political events of the time period
- Scientific/technology story
- Interview with a personality of the time period
- Book/art/play review (culture)

Your newscast **MUST BE** factually and historically correct (you are reporting as if you were living during that time period). To complete this task, you must conduct research on the selected time period.

Your research should **NOT** be based solely on the internet. You should consult other sources (notes, books, journal articles...)

In addition to the recorded version of your newscast, your group must submit a typed transcript of the newscast. The transcript should include a Bibliography sheet of all the sources used.

Each group member is responsible to contribute on an equal basis to the project. You will submit a list of specific duties for each group member.

Points will be awarded for creativity! (music, headlines, studio set, costumes).

TOPICS

The Old Stone Age
The New Stone Age
Ancient Mesopotamia
Gupta/Maurya India
Zhou/Qin/Han China
Ancient Athens
Ancient Sparta
Birth of Judaism
Birth of Christianity
Roman Republic
Roman Empire
Byzantine Empire
Early Middle Ages
Crusades
Black Death
Islamic Civilization
Song/Tang China
Japanese Feudalism
Mongol Empire
Renaissance
Protestant Reformation
Age of Exploration
Latin American Civilizations
African Civilizations
Rise of Absolutism
England's Road to Democracy
Enlightenment
Scientific Revolution

RUBRIC FOR RESEARCH PROJECT

Your group will be graded according to the following categories:

Creativity:

- Extremely clever, presented with originality and interesting.
- Approach was unique that enhanced the project.
- Overall was engaging, provocative, and captured the interest of the audience.
- Good use of visuals & dress.
- Appropriate material for historical period covered.

Delivery:

- Eloquent, shows enthusiasm for subject.
- Appropriate volume and rate of speech.
- Pronounces words clearly and can easily be heard.

Information:

- Presenting in a logical, interesting sequence that the audience can follow.
- Appropriate length (3-5 minutes).
- Gives enough information to clarify the topic.
- **Includes relevant facts and details** that are **appropriate for the historical time period** covered.

Mechanics-Transcript:

- Grammar. Spelling, capitalization, punctuation, sentence/paragraph, and word usage are correct and effective.
- Transcript accurately reflects the verbal portion of the newscast.

Bibliography:

- Bibliography is appropriate and citations are correct.
- The project is based on a minimum of three sources (at least 1 book).
- Project may not be based solely on internet sources.