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ELA Class Period:

Social Studies Class Period:

Research Topic:

Mesopotamian Essay Organizer

This is the document that you will use to gather background information for your collaborative research project between ELA and Social Studies class.

1. Use Google to search for your topic and to gather background information, focusing on who, what, where, when, why, and how questions.
2. Once you have some background information, you can start filling out your research organizer. You will need to use your textbook and two online sources. Organize your evidence based on each research question.
3. You will build a Works Cited rough draft page as you gather sources.

Book Citation Example:

Last name, First name. *Title*. Publishing Company, Copyright date.

On-line Citation Example:

Author or editor's name. "Title of Article". *Name of website*, date of resource creation (if available), URL. Date of access.

In-Text Citation Example:

The author's last name and the page number(s) from which the quotation/paraphrase is taken must appear in the text.

- The Backcountry is the land further inland of the British Colonies (Garcia 126).

If there is no author

For this project, you will choose a topic from the following list. Then, create an Informative 5-Paragraph Accordion Essay.

Topics	Approved Sites
<input type="checkbox"/> 3.1 Sumerians	• History.com
<input type="checkbox"/> 3.2 Babylonians	• Britannica
<input type="checkbox"/> 3.3 Persians	• World History Encyclopedia
<input type="checkbox"/> 3.4 Phoenicians	• Khan Academy

Pacing Guide

Monday 10/27	Social Studies/ELA	Paper Specifications and Background Knowledge in Library
Tuesday 10/28	Social Studies	Research Organizer
Wednesday 10/29	Social Studies	Research Organizer
Thursday 10/30	Social Studies	Research Organizer
Friday 10/31	Social Studies	Research Organizer and Works Cited Page

Monday 11/3	ELA	Format Paper / In-Text Citations
Tuesday 11/4	ELA	CEAEAL #1
Wednesday 11/5	ELA	CEAEAL #2
Thursday 11/6	ELA	CEAEAL #3
Friday 11/7	ELA	Hook, Line, Sinker
		TRIP Conclusion

Monday 11/10	ELA	Literacy Volunteers (REVISE)
Tuesday 11/11	ELA	Edit and Turn in by 9:59 pm!

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Assignment Requirements:

- ☐ Research
 - ☐ Completed Research Organizer
 - ☐ Background Information: Google Search for Kids
 - ☐ Source 1
 - ☐ Text Book
 - ☐ Source 2
 - ☐ Web source of your choosing
 - ☐ Source 3
 - ☐ Different web source of your choosing.
- ☐ Drafting & Publishing
 - ☐ A completed 4-5 paragraph essay (Hook, Line & Sinker, 2-3 CEAEALs, and a TRIP conclusion).
 - ☐ Self & Peer Revision by yourself and with at least 2 others (Peer/ Literacy Volunteer).
 - ☐ A complete MLA Works Cited page.
 - ☐ In-text Citations for every piece of evidence.

★ Due Monday, November 10th @ 9:59 PM.

GRADING

Name: _____

The period I have Mr. Baker: _____

The period I have Mrs. Sanders: _____

<u>Social Studies Standards</u>
SS 2.4:1 &4 Use teacher directed topics with student generated questions with focus on impact or importance. Communicates research results with a supported viewpoint
SS 1.4: Analyze how historical events relate to one another and are shaped by historical context.
Work Ethic
<u>Language Arts Standards</u>
RESEARCH LA 7: Writing an informative essay to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
WRITING LA 8: Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
RESEARCH/ SPEAKING LA 9: Conducting research to build and present knowledge.
LANGUAGE LA 12: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing.
WORK ETHIC

Background Knowledge (Answers to Basic Questions)

Do a basic Google Search with your topic's name (for kids)
Ex: Sumerians for Kids

1. What is your topic?
2. Where did this civilization live?
3. When did they live?
4. Why is this civilization important?
5. How did this civilization influence the ancient world?

Works Cited Page

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Online Source 1:

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* All dates in citations go day, month, and year.

- Ex: 15 October, 2022.

Online Source 2:

Author or editor's name. "Title of Article".
Name of website, date of resource creation (if available), URL. Date of access.

* All dates in citations go day, month, and year.

- Ex: 15 October, 2022.

*****Working Thesis:**

How did the _____ change the ancient world?

Research Question 1: What technological advances did the _____ people inspire?

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Research Question 2: What advancement in written language were the _____ people responsible for?

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Research Question 3: How else did the _____ civilization influence the modern world?

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