## **Research Report - Details and Grading Information**

This assignment is worth a total of 100 points, but I will be grading it in pieces to make each step more manageable. ALL THE LESSON POWERPOINTS WILL BE POSTED ON MY ENGLISH WEBSITE UNDER "ENGLISH RESOURCES". ALL THE ROUGH DRAFT COPIES WILL BE POSTED UNDER "ASSIGNMENTS" ON MY WEBSITE.

\*Part 1, Part 2 and Part 3 will be submitted in Sapphire Part 4 will be submitted as an attachment and labeled exactly how you see it below. YOU ARE NOT ACTUALLY WRITING A RESEARCH PAPER. THSES ARE JUST THE STEPS NECESSARY THAT YOU NEED TO KNOW HOW TO DO TO PREPARE YOU FOR A PAPER YOU WILL DO NEXT YEAR IN 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE.

## Part 1: Topic Choice + Brainstorming Notes - 10 points

Your research report must be about an **historical figure.** For example, you may choose to research the life and career of Martin Luther King, Jr or the Inventor Albert Einstein. The KWL should have a minimum of 3-4 sentences per box.

\*You will submit your KWL Chart. Here is how you are to fill out the chart.

K = WHAT YOU ALREADY KNOW. GIVE ME A FEW SENTENCES OF WHAT YOU ALREADY KNOW ABOUT YOUR HISTORICAL FIGURE/INSPIRATONAL PERSON.

W = WHAT YOU WANT TO KNOW. WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR HISTORICAL FIGURE? GIVE ME A SEVERAL QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE.

L = RESEARCH YOUR QUESTIONS THAT YOU WANT TO KNOW AND THEN RECORDS THE ANSWERS (WHAT YOU LEARNED) IN THE "L" BOX IN SAPPHIRE.

**DUE DATE = MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> FINAL COPY IN SAPPHIRE** 

## Part 2: Resources + Notes - 30 points

\*Please note: Wikipedia is NOT an acceptable resource. Do not use Wikipedia for information. You must use at least FIVE reliable resources for this report (you may use more if you like). I would prefer that you use at least one book or magazine for one of the sources, but the other two can be Internet sources.

For this assignment, you will list the FIVE resources along with the following information about the source:

Article, Book, Magazine or Website Name

Author's Name (if known)

Date published

Notes: Include what information you will be taking from this source

\*You will submit your taking notes chart and your resources chart as part of this grade. FINAL COPIES IN SAPPHIRE. DUE DATES FOR BOTH = MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>

Part 3: Thesis Statement- 10 points

The thesis statement is part of your outline and will be submitted in Sapphire. (I will be providing an example in class). There are also examples on the following website: <a href="http://writinginspirationnook.weebly.com/research-writing.html">http://writinginspirationnook.weebly.com/research-writing.html</a>

\*You will submit your thesis statement as part of your grade. FINAL COPY IN SAPPHIRE. TENTATIVE DUE DATE = MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>, BUT CAN TURN IN BY MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>

## Part 4: Outline- 50 points

For this assignment you will complete an outline showing what each paragraph topic will consist of along with a thesis statement (I will be providing an example). You must have complete sentences in your outline.

\*You will submit your outline as part of your grade. YOU WILL SUBMIT YOUR FINAL COPY AS AN ATTACHMENT IN KMAIL BY MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>.

This assignment is worth a total of 100 points for all of the pieces listed above. Visit the Writing Website for more examples and documents. <a href="http://writinginspirationnook.weebly.com/">http://writinginspirationnook.weebly.com/</a>