

It's Project Time

This project has two parts totaling **200** points in the grade book. You may choose to work in groups of 2 or 3 in this project. Each student is to do a task. Research, Read, and Spell check as you type the report. In the PowerPoint, find pictures, type short answer, organize slides; make sure animation, sound, and color are present. *These are the tasks for your group.* The duration for this project will be an **estimation of two weeks**. Due dates will be set. This is a required assignment in the class. I may actually have your PowerPoints and reports submitted to your history teacher.

Tips:

Use the Microsoft Word and Microsoft PowerPoints notes in the student file server H drive to refresh your knowledge on how to do specific commands that I will be asking you to do in this project. They are there at your disposal. Use them. This project will involve research, report writing, and a slide show. You actually will not need to print the information from the internet. Just copy and paste what you want to save into a Word document and save it into your G drives to retrieve later. You should be familiar with how to save to your G drives.

Topic of your project:

You will choose a state in the United States of America. You will find the answers to the following questions about your state:

Capital? How it became the capital of the state?

State flower? How it became the state flower?

Name three famous people from the state. What city were they from? What did they do as a career? (Singer, U. S. President, artist, poet)

State bird? Give three facts about the state bird.

What other states border the state of choice?

Briefly describe the typical climate for the state? (Average temperature, rainfall)

Name four universities or community colleges in your state giving the city where each college is located.

It was the ____ (1st-50th) state admitted to the United States in what year?

How many counties does your state have? Name four of them.

What types of agricultural products are grown in the state?

Describe the state flag. Are there any significant meanings to the colors of that flag?

Name one of its large cities.

What is the state's nickname?

Where does the origin of your state come from?

Use the following websites to search for most of this information:

<http://www.50states.com>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/>

Other websites can be used to find the information.

To reference the website in your report, you will create this on the last page of your report. This is going to be titled **Reference Page**.

This is an example of how I want to see your reference to look:

Give the name of the website where you found the information.

Give me the exact (use copy and paste method to do this) website address to where you found this website.

Give me the date of when you retrieved this information from that website.

Example:

Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. "Nashville, Tennessee."

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nashville, Tennessee](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nashville,_Tennessee). Retrieved September 9, 2007.

Part 1 of your project:

Format a blank Word document once you open MS Word to the following:

All margins will be set to 1 inch by typing a 1 in the left, right margin boxes. Do you remember where to set up the margins?

Set your Font Type to Times New Roman.

Set your Font Size to 12.

Format the paragraph's line spacing to Double.

Title:

Center your title. Type the title of your state first. Press Enter one time on your keyboard.

Set your alignment for your text to Justify alignment where your text will look even on the right and left side of the document. Remember to indent when starting new paragraphs. Use your Tab key to do this.

REMEMBER TO ALWAYS SAVE YOUR CHANGES. Save this document as State Project Report in your G Drives. SAVE CHANGES as you make them. I am not responsible for electrical or computer failure. SAVE FREQUENTLY.

Beginning on the left side of your document, begin typing your information and let the text wrap to the next line itself. DO not push the ENTER key at the end of each line. It automatically word wraps for you to the next line.

Please double check **spelling, grammar, and watch for proper punctuation**. You can have as many pages necessary in this report.

Rubric for the type written report:

100 Points

Times New Roman Font: _____/20

Font Size 12: _____/20

Line Spacing Double: _____/20

Is the Title at the top? _____/20

Reference Page? _____/20

Total Points earned: _____/100

Part 2 of your project:

Save a blank PowerPoint slide show as State Information PowerPoint slide to your **CMS G DRIVE**. You will take your information and create a slide show using bits of your information. **REMEMBER TO ALWAYS SAVE YOUR CHANGES. SAVE CHANGES as you make them. I am not responsible for electrical or computer failure. SAVE FREQUENTLY.**

In your slide show, create one slide that only shows a summary of the questions that I asked.

For example, Slide 1 will be your title slide. It will include the state you chose in your report project.

Slide 2 will include the state's capital. Find a minimum of two pictures on the Internet of the state capital. It can be a day picture or night life picture of the city.

Slide 3 to ? will include brief answers and a minimum of two pictures about each question answered in your report above.

Apply slide animation to your text and pictures.

Apply slide transitioning to your slides.

Use a Slide Design of your choice.

Use sound in your slide show. You may use the sound provided in PowerPoint. If you choose to use sound from the Internet, you must download it first to your G drive. Put your mouse arrow on top of the sound link, right click and choose Save Target As... The sound files must be in the format of .AVI, .WAV files. BE CAREFUL. If you exceed the storage capacity of your CMS G Drive, you must either delete files you no longer need or find smaller sound files to which you may use to put into your slide shows.

Rubric of the PowerPoint slide show:

1. Does your slide show have a title slide? _____/16
 2. Do your slides have at least 2 pictures or clipart on the slide? _____/16
 3. Do your slides have animation? _____/16
 4. Transitioning? _____/16
 5. Slide Design? _____/16
 6. Sound? _____/16
- Total points earned _____/100