

History 7th /8th
Ancient History
August – December 2018

Nation Project:

Do you know how many nations there are in the world? Take a guess and then keep reading the assignment to find out if you were correct.

This assignment will help you to learn about one of these nations and then share what you've learned with the class.

**Please note that you will be writing a Language Arts paper from some of what you learn about your nation. That writing assignment will come from Mrs. Newton's class.

Due Week 1 (Aug. 31): Interesting Facts

1. Pick one of the 196 modern nations (besides the U.S.A.). Perhaps you or someone in your family traveled to this nation. Maybe there is a missionary that you know in this country. Or maybe it is a place where you would like to travel one day.
2. Learn about 10 interesting facts about this nation. These facts can be anything that you find interesting about the nation. You can Google this easily as "interesting facts about _____." Number and list the facts on a sheet of paper to hand-in. Keep a copy for yourself.
3. Find your nation on a world map and come to class prepared to locate your nation for the class on a map and share two of your interesting facts.

Due Week 2 (Sept. 7): Current Events

1. Learn about 3-4 events happening in your nation now. These happenings are called "Current events." Google "current news _____."
2. Number and list the events and give a 1-2 sentence summary of each event. You will hand in this list, but will not share this information at this time. Keep a copy of your list for yourself.

Due Week 3 (Sept. 21): History

1. Learn about the history of your nation. Pick 2 or 3 subtopics and using a keyword outline, write a 2-3 paragraph summary (about 16 sentences) on what you found interesting about your nation's history. Bring a copy of your writing to class to hand-in. Keep a copy for yourself.

Here are some questions that may help you select your subtopics. You are not required to use these topics; they are just suggestions.

- Who were the earliest known people to discover this area?
- Who first settled in the land?
- Who were some of the interesting people who ruled?
- What battles were significant in the nation's history?
- Who were the famous women in your nation's history?

Due Week 4 (Oct. 5): Spiritual Life

1. Research about your nation's spiritual history and prepare a keyword outline of what you learned. Then summarize what you learned in one paragraph (7-9 sentences) and bring a copy to class to hand-in. Keep a copy for yourself.
Suggested subtopics to read about, but these are not required:
What religion do most of the people follow?
Who is a religious leader that has played an important role in your nation?
Name a Christian missionary that has traveled to this nation to share the gospel?
How open are the laws of the land to allow freedom of religion?
2. Write a 4-5 sentence prayer for your nation and its people. Email a copy of your prayer to Mrs. Reliford trjkr@yahoo.com before class.

Due Week 5 (Oct. 12): Nation Project Class Presentation

1. Using your keyword outlines, **organize** the information that you want to share to the class in a 2-3 minute speech on your nation. Do not use all of the facts you gathered, just what you find most interesting about your nation.
2. **Visual Aide:** Please have a visual aide of some sort. Bring food or clothing from your nation, a piece of art work or an item that is connected to your nation.
3. **Know where your nation is located on a world map.** We will have a map in class for you to use to show the class.
4. **Practice your speech several times:**
Speak loudly and clearly. Look interested in what you are sharing☺. Do not read your speech; use your key word outline. Look up from your notes and look at your audience.