

## HISTORICAL FICTION RESEARCH PROJECT – ENGLISH 11 – MISS KUHNS

All students will choose a historical novel from the library. Using the AR novel as a basis, the student will choose a *topic related to the novel* that can be researched in a 5-7 page typed research paper. The final part of this project will be a 2-3 minute oral presentation on your book and topic.

- 1) Book
  - a) Choose an historical fiction novel
  - b) Complete Historical Book Report Form
- 2) Report
  - a) Write a 5-7 page essay on your topic.
  - b) Include a works cited page
    - i) Use MLA Style manual
    - ii) [http://www.ahs.accomack.k12.va.us/public/english/need\\_help\\_with\\_your\\_research\\_pap.htm](http://www.ahs.accomack.k12.va.us/public/english/need_help_with_your_research_pap.htm)
- 3) Oral Presentation
  - a) 2-3 minutes long
  - b) presentation board
    - i) create and present at least 4 of the following items on your presentation board
    - ii) items must be related to your topic
      - (1) birth certificate
      - (2) journal excerpt
      - (3) letter
      - (4) poem
      - (5) children's story
      - (6) song lyrics
      - (7) pictures
      - (8) newspaper article
      - (9) collage
      - (10) calendar
      - (11) recipe
      - (12) advertisement
      - (13) map
      - (14) menu
      - (15) comic strip
      - (16) brochure
    - iii) must be at least large posterboard size (I prefer the 3 sided presentation boards)
  - c) Presentation
    - i) Reading excerpt from novel
    - ii) Options
      - (1) Powerpoint presentation
      - (2) Demonstration
      - (3) Monologue
      - (4) Original video
      - (5) Original artwork
      - (6) Commercial
  - d) All students must be dressed appropriately for presentations
    - i) no blue jeans or tennis shoes
- 4) Due dates
  - a) 10-14 page handwritten rough draft **due** \_\_\_\_\_
    - i) skip lines
    - ii) do not write on back
    - iii) the grade for this part will be based on completion
      - (1) no peer review will be done in class
      - (2) I will not be editing these for you
  - b) 5-7 page typed final draft **due** \_\_\_\_\_
    - i) 12 pt Times New Roman or Arial
    - ii) works cited page
    - iii) parenthetical documentation
    - iv) no title page
  - c) Oral presentations begin \_\_\_\_\_

This is also available as a webquest at <http://www.glnk.k12.va.us/~ekolbush/historicalfictionproject>. That site lists all the links to resources as well as handouts used in the completion of the project.