

# PERSON/EVENT PAPER

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WORLD HISTORY

- (1) Be sure to put your topic in its proper context and time period of world history.
- (2) As a SUGGESTED opening to your paper, give a brief description of the EVENTS LEADING UP TO the person/event/subject of your study. How do these things relate to the historical significance of your person/event/subject? This should be approximately **5** sentences long.
- (3) The main part of your paper is to be a DETAILED DESCRIPTION and analysis of the person/event/subject of your study. As a SUGGESTION, this should be approximately **20** sentences long.
- (4) Conclude the paper with a brief description of the EVENTS THAT RESULTED FROM the person/event/subject of your study. As a SUGGESTION, this should be approximately **5** sentences long.
- (5) The entire assignment MUST be AT LEAST **30** sentences long. See "Grading" section for penalties.
- (6) Topics must be chosen and approved at least 3 days IN ADVANCE of the due date. There is a suggested list of pre-approved topics for each UNIT. Each assignment will be within the time period (one of eight Units in the textbook) that we will study in class.
- (7) No more than ONE student can choose the same specific topic for his/her Person/Event Paper. This is to prevent competition for available resources.
- (8) Students must list ALL of the references that they use to complete this assignment. Specific bibliographic forms are available and MUST be followed.
- (9) At least FOUR sources of information must be used.
- (10) No more than ONE source may be from the Internet.
- (11) Major grading areas to consider are: **P**lagiarism, **P**roof-reading, **P**unctuation, proper **P**aragraph divisions, and **P**roper form.
- (12) Expectations (content and format) slowly INCREASE throughout the semester. Your papers should IMPROVE in quality as the year goes on.

## GRADING:

- If the paper is less than the required **30** sentences, a minimum of 30% will be deducted; more as necessary.
- In most cases, if the paper is turned in at least one full school day early, there is a 5% bonus.
- "Plagiarism" (from the textbook, Internet source, or any written source) results in a 0% grade for the paper and disciplinary action.
- If you do not list sources in proper form, there is a 15% penalty.
- You may NOT use your classroom textbook as a source.
- You may only ONE Internet source and only ONE general encyclopedia.
- If your paper is typed, you must use black ink on white paper.
- All papers are to be double-spaced.
- You must use at least FOUR sources or there will be at least a 30% penalty.
- Written research notes used in writing the paper MUST be attached. There is a 30% penalty for failing to do so. Forms are available (but not required) to assist your note-taking.