Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Your biography will be an informational writing piece about a person who has made a positive impact in the world. You will first need to pick out a biography to read on your person.

Topics to include:

1. Introduction
   1. Birthplace and date
   2. Family and home life
   3. Schooling
   4. Interesting facts or stories about the person’s youth
   5. Why the person is important/famous
   6. What are the subtopics that you will develop
2. What are the major events in their life
3. Marriage and kids
4. Was he/she a risk taker or cautious? Give examples?
5. Did he/she have friends/family or companions that helped or hindered their success?
6. What were some struggles they faced?
7. Conclusion should include
   1. Date of death
   2. Age at death
   3. Cause of death
   4. In your opinion, why they should be remembered.
   5. Restate the main idea and offer a final thought or question for readers to consider

Presentation and Project Choices

1. Dress up as your person. You will pretend you are the person you studied and tell us about your life.
2. Create a Puppet or doll. You will present a one-person show using your puppet or doll and tell about your person’s life.
3. Create a Life Size Replica-Create an accurate representation of your person. For example, how did they look, dress, etc.

What technical parts to include in your informational writing

Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Your final biography will include:

1. Cover page (Title, your name, date, class, and school)
2. Table of contents
3. Pictures with captions
4. Headings
5. Glossary (words used in glossary should be bolded in text where used. The glossary should give meanings of bolded words from the text)
6. Graph, chart, or map
7. Work cited page (at least 3 different resources)

Steps to follow:

1. Prewrite-Brainstorm and come up with research questions
2. Create an outline
3. Research, research, research (on a separate notebook paper that WILL be turned in, remember star-dash-dot)
4. Organize your notes and start drafting a 1st draft
5. Edit (peer and self)
6. Final draft will be published on the computer. You can also create and add your test features at this point.

***\*\*Writing must be completed solely during school, but research can be supplemented at home.***

**Due Dates**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Outline Due: | Notes Completed: |
| 1st Draft Due: | Final Due: |