

8th Language Arts
2007-2008
Research Project Options
Power Point

If you choose this option, you will create a **Power Point Presentation** on your research topic.

- You must include a **picture** with **each slide**.
- At least one of your pictures should be your **original artwork** created in Paint.
- **Music** or **sound** is optional – make sure it is appropriate and adds something to the presentation before adding it. Music must come from a legal music source-no copying files from a CD or downloading unless it is a free site. Reminder to include the music file (if used) when you burn your Power Point to a CD-R to turn into your English/Literature teacher.
- Do not forget to include **presentation notes** in your power point; given that a power point is a visual aid and should include bullets rather than text, most of the information you will provide should be included in the notes section of your project.
- Remember to incorporate quotations and paraphrased material in your final project with appropriate citations; however, do not overuse citations; 80% of the project should be your own original ideas.

Slide One: COVER SLIDE

This should include your name, section, title of the presentation, country, social issue, and an appropriate picture.

Slide Two: INTRODUCTION

Your topic narrowed to your thesis statement and picture.

Slide Three: COUNTRY

Where in the world is your country? Who are its neighbors? What is the economic situation and political situation in your country? And picture (possibly a world map and /or a country map).

Slide Four: HISTORICAL BACKGROUND / CULTURAL ENVIRONMENT

Has the cultural or historical background of the country caused or influenced the current social environment in the country? And picture.

Slide Five: SOCIAL ISSUE as seen WITHIN THE COUNTRY

What challenges does this specific social issue present for this country? What is the current situation? And picture.

Slide Six: POPULATION / IMPACT

Which elements of the population are primarily impacted by the issue? And picture

Slide Seven: LOCAL PROGRAMS

What is currently being done **within** this country to address the issue? And picture

Slide Eight: INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE

What outside aid – aid from industrialized nations, from G-8, from the United Nations, etc. – has been / is being given? And picture

Slide Nine: UNITED STATES INVOLVEMENT

What is the United States – either the government, an agency within the US, or US citizens as individuals – doing to help? And picture

Slide Ten: LEGISLATION

What legislation, on the part of the country itself, the US, other industrialized nations, or the UN, has had an impact, either positive or negative, on the situation? And picture

Slide Eleven: IMPACT ON LITERATURE, MUSIC, NEWS COVERAGE

What literature has been / is being written to bring attention to the issue? Music? News coverage? Television shows? Movies? What high profile people does the country have on its side in the fight to bring about change? Who are the spokespeople? And picture. (This would be a good place to include information about the Biography you read and the impact of your candidate on the issue either nationally or internationally.)

Slide Twelve: IDEAS

What else could be done to help? And picture.

Slide Thirteen: CONCLUSION

What have you discovered through your research?

** Feel free to incorporate additional pages if you feel that there is something important that you would like to address which has not been delineated above.

Slide Fourteen: **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

You will need hyperlinks to four web sites that support or give information about the social issue and or your country. These four additional sources **must be different** than the Internet sources found in your annotated bibliography.

Slide Fifteen: WORKS CITED PAGE

This is your MLA annotated bibliography. (Dependent upon the number of resources you have, it may take more than one page to accommodate your annotated bibliography. Be sure to maintain MLA format and order.)

Refer to Schedule for Check Point Due Dates. Final Project Due May 5.

Submit as a part of the Social Justice Binder.