

5 Research Questions and a Thesis Statement – September 4, 2015

This is what I expect to receive September 4, 2015.

While different topics will result in a variety of research questions, I should see a question about each part of the theme – exploration, encounter, exchange.

The thesis statement should be a simple statement about your topic. This statement will change and become more complex as you research. This is the point you will prove with your research.

Your paper must be typed – Times New Roman, 12 point font (**NONE of THIS TYPE FONT**)

Group projects should only turn in one paper with all students listed.

Example –

Mrs. West and Mrs. Garbett

Topic – Winston Churchill

Research Questions -

Who is Winston Churchill and why is he important?

What aspect of peace making did Churchill explore during WWII?

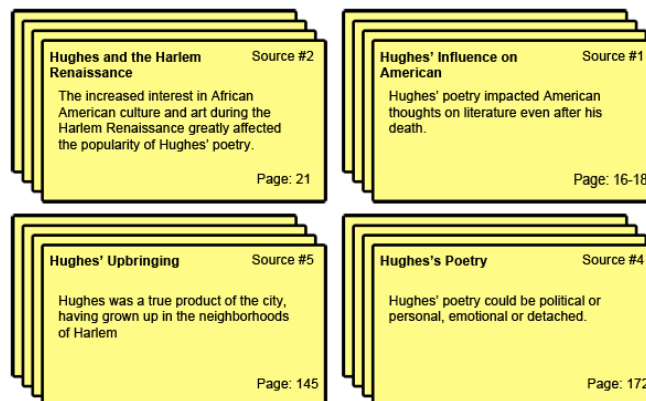
What did Churchill encounter while Prime Minister of the United Kingdom during WWII?

What did he exchange with the Allies during WWII?

How did his actions impact the rest of the world?

Beginning thesis statement –

Winston Churchill was an important leader during WWII. His exploration of a variety of peacekeeping strategies leads him to encounter many foes and exchange knowledge with the Allies.



Between September 4 and September 24, you should answer your research questions and start creating research cards. You should have all your materials with you September 16 when our guest speaker is here.

5 Research Questions Answered & 5 Source Annotated Bibliography – September 24, 2015

Annotated Bibliography

Fosse, Dian. *Years with the Mountain Gorilla*, 2004. Dian

Fosse shares observations about her research on the mountain gorilla in the Virunga Mountain Range. Her work covers social behavior and environmental challenges.

Schaller, George B. *The Mountain Gorilla: Ecology and*

Behavior. Chicago: University of Chicago Press,

1963. Print. One of the earliest comprehensive studies on the mountain gorilla; this book provided a foundation for later studies. Author George Schaller is acknowledged as a pioneer in the field, having traveled to study gorillas in 1959 at the age of 26.

Above is another example of an annotated bibliography.

Students must have a minimum of 5 sources total – a minimum of one source must be primary.

While we will have a guest speaker September 16 and work in class September 17 or 18, students must have answered their research questions prior to these dates.

Students working in a group should turn in one paper for the group. All group members must be listed.

Annotations should help the reader (Mrs. West at this point) understand how the source was used to prove the thesis or related the topic to the theme. They should be no more than four sentences long.

All must still be typed.