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## Create Your Own Utopia

Due Date: September 26, 2014

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What am I doing? You are creating your own Utopia and showcasing this using an electronic method.

Assignment Guidelines: Your final product must include ALL of the following components:

1. Name of your Utopian society – Choose a creative and appropriate name to represent your new society. Write a meaningful statement that tells why you chose this name.
2. Declaration of Independence – Write an explanation describing the reason why you formed your utopian society. In this statement you must answer the following questions –
  - a) What don't you like about your current society?
  - b) How has the current society broken your trust?
  - c) Why do you feel the need to form a more perfect society?
  - d) How will your society be different?
  - e) Does your society have some of the same characteristics as your current society? Yes or No – If yes, then tell which ideas are the same.
3. Utopian Motto/Anthem and a Seal/Flag – Create a motto/anthem and a flag/seal that represents the citizens. Write a brief description that explains the meaning of the motto/anthem and the seal/flag that you chose.
4. List of Rules – Develop a list of 10 rules that all community members must follow. Provide an explanation for each rule.
5. Governing Body – How will the government of this Utopian be structured? Will you have a democracy, anarchy, a monarchy, a dictatorship, or will you have a mixed government (combines elements of all types of government)? How will your government make decisions? You must have explanation for your choices.
6. Holidays and Celebrations – Create 5 or more unique holidays and celebrations that your society will have throughout the year. For each make sure you include a date and a reason why you chose these dates.
7. Advertisement – Develop a written advertisement or flyer for your community. This ad should be complete with pictures that are representative of life in your society. (use glogster, Power Point, Video, Diorama or another tool) **CREATIVITY IS A MUST.**

Group/ Individual Responsibilities:

- You may choose to do this with a partner or individually.
- If you have a partner absent for the day – **YOU ARE STILL EXPECTED TO DO THE WORK AND HAVE THE ASSIGNMENT COMPLETED BY THE DUE DATE.**
- You will not only receive a grade for the final product but you will also be graded on the amount of work done each day. I will be closely monitoring your progress throughout the week.

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Utopia Project Rubric Category	Possible Points	Points Earned & Comments
Utopian Name: Creative name of a new society with a meaningful explanation of choice.	10	
Declaration of Independence: your vision is expressed articulately; the values, goals, and ideals of your society are clear (5). Reasons for forming your society are clearly enumerated (5).	10	
Utopian Motto and Seal: you express your society's values simply and creatively with you motto and seal. The motto expresses you Utopian values.	10	
List of Rules: your ten rules state the provisions your inhabitants must follow with a thoughtful rationale for each. (1 pt for each rule, and 1 pt for each rational)	30	
Governing Body: you provide a thoughtful and complete explanation of your governmental structure, economy, and leadership process.	15	
Holidays and Celebrations: Points will be given for creativity of the holidays, and their correlation to the values in your Utopia. Make sure to include dates.	10	
Advertisement: Must have a picture and represent the life in your society. Should employ persuasive appeals.	15	
<b>TOTAL PROJECT GRADE</b>	<b>100</b>	

Final Comments: