AIM: How Can We Create and Illustrate Our New Year's Resolutions?

DO NOW: Review all tasks below. Log onto pc.

TASK A: Read information below and answer questions 1-8.

PROJECT LEARNING OBJECTIVES, SWBAT:
- Reinforce computer literacy
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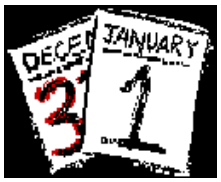


A New Year's Resolution is a personal goal to change for the better. Many Americans make New Year's resolutions in January. This could mean committing to a new project or just getting rid of an old habit. New Year's resolutions are usually considered positive steps in the right direction.

What makes a New Year's resolution different from a general "turning over of a new leaf?" New Year's resolutions involve a new start or a second chance as another year begins. Almost everyone makes at least one new goal in January, but only about 10% of the goals made are kept!

Why set a goal and then fail to achieve it year after year? Do these resolutions have any value? Although a person may not fully accomplish the goal he has set for himself, he has thought about his life. He has made an effort to do better. He thinks: Well…maybe next year.

The prefix re in resolution means again. Solution is to solve, to finish or to complete. The word resolution means to reach a firm decision, to speak your opinion, will to intent, to solve or find an answer, or to change something complex into several simple parts or steps.

Have you ever made a New Year's resolution? Did you make one this year? Do you think you would like to make a new goal for the upcoming year? Here are some ideas to help us with the concept of New Year's resolutions:

1. Think about the past, present, and future. This will help us set a goal for ourselves.
2. Choose a goal. (Use words like I will, I plan, I am determined)
3. Write simple steps to reach your goal. (I will attend class every Tuesday and Thursday.)
4. What is another word for a resolution? _____
5. What percent of people actually keep the resolutions they make? Why is that? _____
6. Why are resolutions good? Bad? Thoughts? _____
7. Why do you think it is so hard to carry out a new plan you have made? _____
8. Write one resolution for this year and complete side chart below:

**my resolution is...**

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Some short term goals that will help me achieve my long term goal are…

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Some challenges I may face along the way include…

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

To overcome these challenges, I will…

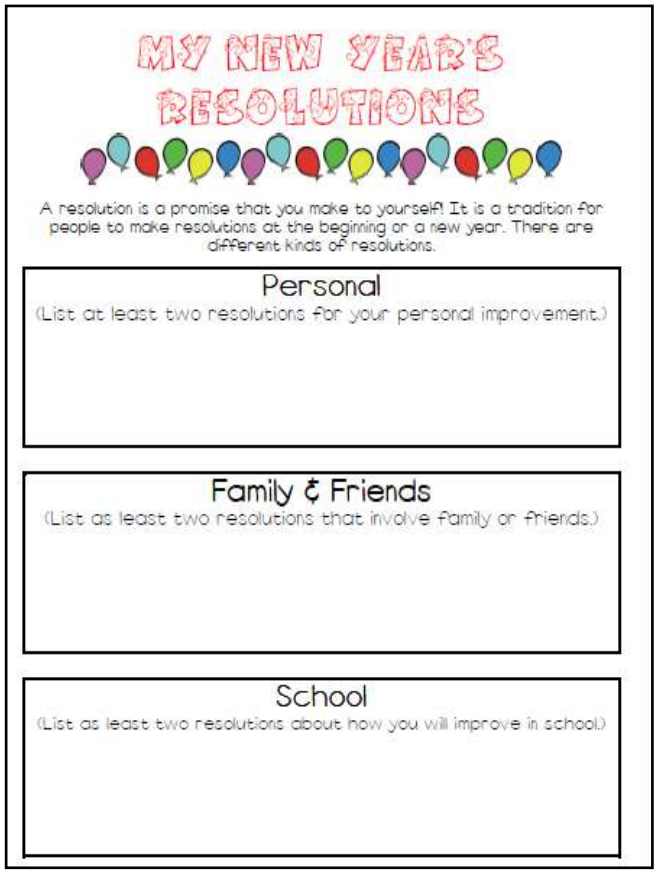
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

**TASK B**: Log onto http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/newsid_3330000/newsid_3331500/3331561.stm

or Google the link "CBBC New Years Quiz" to test your knowledge on New Year Traditions around the world.

**TASK C**: Using MS Word, create a full page flyer that illustrates your resolution for the New Year. Each flyer must contain both formatted text and graphics. Include:

- Your Name
- Title
- Resolution
- Action Plan
- Clipart/Graphics


MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

A resolution is a promise that you make to yourself! It is a tradition for people to make resolutions at the beginning of a new year. There are different kinds of resolutions.

**Personal**
(List at least two resolutions for your personal improvement.)

**Family & Friends**
(List as least two resolutions that involve family or friends.)

**School**
(List as least two resolutions about how you will improve in school.)

**Your Name Resolution is to get a 75 or higher on NYS Regents Exams by Practicing on Regentsprep.org and going to tutoring sessions**

Jessica Darius' New Year Resolution is to improve School attendance by getting more sleep and using an alarm clock.

**New Year Resolution**
**For your name**

***Improve Homework Grades by writing down assignments and setting a specific time of study for each day***

# Snowflake Resolutions!

**AIM**: How Can We Illustrate Our New Year Resolution using Autoshapes?

**DO NOW**: Log on PC. Review directions below. Complete Task A or B

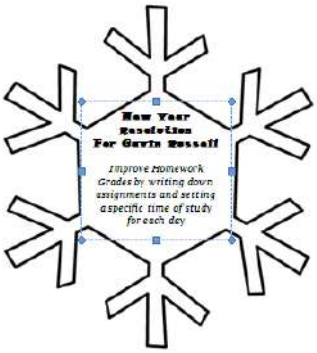
**TASK A**:

1. Open a blank page in MSWord.
2. Create a snowflake by using the Autoshape in the Insert Menu. Add your New Year Resolution by keying and formatting data inside the shape.

**TASK B**:

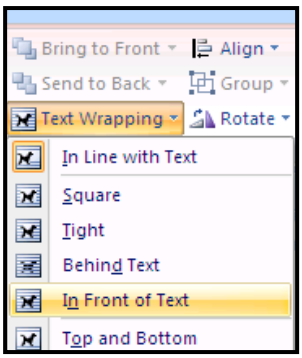
1. Open a blank page in MSWord.

2. Using a Google search, copy a snowflake color page (stencil) into your document.




3. Create a text box by using the Draw Text command from the Insert Menu. Drag out the text box shape, key and format the data. Remove the Outline and Fill Color from the command in the Format Menu. If necessary format the graphic Text Wrapping "In front of Text"

4. Add fill and text colors if desired.

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- Make real world connections
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# My New Year Resolutions

Write down at least two resolutions for each section. Which one do you feel is the one you most want to keep. Using that resolution, create your snowflake that will be displayed for class. .

Resolutions to live a healthier life:

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Resolutions to help my parents:

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Resolutions to do well in school:

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Resolutions to live a happier life:

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Resolutions to be good to my friends:

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Resolutions to protect the environment:

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Resolutions to be a good citizen:

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