First Semester World History
FINAL PROJECT
100 Points

DUE DATE ___________________

You have a choice of one of the following assignments:

I. Biographical Research Paper on Historical Figures: (3-5 pages double-spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font)
   a. Must include a Title Page along with a Works Cited Page in addition to the 3-5 page paper
   b. Focus on the questions: (WHO was this person, WHAT did he do in his lifetime, WHEN did he live and die, WHERE did he live, and WHY are his life accomplishments important today?)
   c. Please choose from the following people in history:
      i. Hammurabi
      ii. Siddhartha Guatama
      iii. Muhammad
      iv. Abraham
      v. Jesus Christ
      vi. Homer
      vii. Alexander the Great
      viii. Plato
      ix. Socrates
      x. Aristotle
      xi. Julius Caesar
      xii. Augustus
      xiii. Constantine
      xiv. Justinian
      xv. Michelangelo
      xvi. Leonardo da Vinci
      xvii. Raphael
      xviii. Machiavelli
      xix. Henry VIII
      xx. John Calvin
      xxi. Martin Luther

II. Interactive Poster and Presentation: (this activity may be done with 1 partner)
   a. Full size poster using a variety of different types of medium including information, visuals, and anything else that could enhance your poster (50 points)
   b. Five Minute Presentation: note cards may be used and both partners must participate.
   c. Partners will be graded individually.
   d. Please choose from the following topics:
      • World Religion (Different types of religions across the world)
      • Ancient Chinese Civilization (specific attributes and characteristics)
      • Athens v. Sparta (a comparison and contrast of life in Ancient Greece)
      • Rome (characteristics of Roman life)
      • Life in the Middle Ages (the people, the plague, the misery)
      • Comparison of Feudal Japan with Feudal Europe
      • Renaissance Art (a variety of art or works of a specific artist)
III. **Enduring Influences Power Point Presentation**: (this activity may be done with 1 partner)
   a. Slideshow must be saved on both students’ U: Drive Accounts OR on a flash drive.
   b. Partners will be graded individually.
   c. 7 - 10 informational slides including a bibliography
   d. Slideshow must incorporate the use of visuals including pictures, maps, and charts where needed.
   e. Additional professional effects should also be incorporated in to the presentation.
   f. The objective of this project is to analyze historical topics and the enduring influence they have had on the world today.
   g. Please choose from the following topics:
      - The development of various world religions and how they exist and have changed today
      - Impact of Ancient China on other civilizations and how China has changed over the years to current times
      - Impact of Greek and Roman Civilizations and specific contributions to the present world.
      - A Comparison analysis of Renaissance thoughts and theories and how they have influenced our world today
      - Historical analysis of current social, political, geographical, and or economic issues facing the world today

IV. **Historical Time Period News Broadcast VIDEO**: (group project- up to 4 people)
   a. Finished video should be an average of 10 minutes.
   b. Video must be burned to a DVD or CD that is compatible with Mrs. Rios’ computer...see me if you are not sure.
   c. The objective for this project is to create a news broadcast (forget the fact that there were not even radios during this time period!) highlighting some of the major characteristics of life in these early civilizations of people.
   d. Some suggestions for your video include: (interviews of important historical figures, re-enactments of historical events, commercials highlighting new inventions of the time period, health warnings related to plagues, propaganda, and alerts regarding economic crisis, etc).
   e. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXPLOSIVE DEVICES OR DANGEROUS STUNTS ARE TO BE USED IN THE MAKING OF THIS VIDEO AND IT MUST BE 100% SCHOOL APPROPRIATE IN ALL ASPECTS.**
   f. Choose from the following time periods:
      - Ancient Greece
      - Ancient Rome
      - Medieval Europe
      - The Renaissance
      - The Reformation