

Amazing Race Super-Mini Research Project



Description:

You and your partner are going to be assigned a secret destination where you will meet an ethno-linguistic people group unfamiliar to most here in the United States. Your mission is to find out as much about them as you can, and to report back with the most exciting and interesting facts. You will live and breathe the people, the language, the living habits, the culture and the traditions.

The team to return with the most authentic information and exciting presentation, will win the grand prize of a million bonus points. More importantly, students will earn a hard-earned grade worth 100 points.

Requirements:

- information gleaned from (at least) 5 reliable sources, printed out or copied, to be submitted in a manila folder or stapled to the teacher on the day of the presentation
- Works Cited page, written in MLA format
- 7-10 minute oral presentation (only note cards allowed when presenting)
- photos and/or visuals, including map
- creativity

Grading:

- Content, 20 points
- Visuals/Media/Map, 20 points
- Creativity, 20 points
- Oral Presentation Skills, 20 points
- 5 Reliable Sources, 20 points

Brainstorming questions/topics:

- What are their lives like?
- Language
- What is the family unit like?
- Government, ruling system
- Natural Resources
- Brief History
- What are their beliefs?
- Traditions
- Ceremonies (i.e. Rite of Passage, Marriage, Funeral, etc.)
- Location
- Foreign relations
- How do you get there?
- What do they eat?
- Landmarks? Art? Dance? Music?
- Transportation
- Music
- Role of women in society