

Teacher Name: **Ms. Gunther**

Student Name: _____

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Cover Page	Cover page is centered, double spaced, includes the student's first and last name, teacher's name, class and period and date in the proper MLA format.	Cover page has 5 of the required elements on the cover page or has less than 2 errors in MLA format.	Cover page has 4 of the required elements on the cover page or has less than 3 errors in MLA format.	Cover page is missing more than 3 items required on the cover page or more than 3 items on the cover page are not in the correct MLA format.
Cover Pages & Font Size	8-9 of the required cover pages are present and very creative, neat and clearly explain the topic. Student used a 12 point font throughout the project except where approved by Teacher.	6-8 of the required cover pages are present and creative, neat and explain the topic. Student used a 12 point font most of the time in the project except where approved by Teacher.	5 of the required cover pages are present and/or are messy and explain the topic. Student used 12 some of the time except where approved by Teacher.	Student has less than 5 of the required cover pages, they cover pages are very messy or they do not explain the topic. Student used a variety of font sizes without approval by Teacher.
Explorer Report	Explorer report contains 4 or more of the required elements (background, the country that sponsored his explorations, and the results of his journey, interesting information and facts).	Explorer report contains 3 of the required elements (background, the country that sponsored his explorations, the results of his journey, interesting information and facts) and is properly cited.	Explorer report contains 2 of the required elements (background, the country that sponsored his explorations, the results of his journey, interesting information and facts) and is properly cited.	Explorer report contains 1 or fewer of the required elements (background, the country that sponsored his explorations, the results of his journey, interesting information and facts) or is not properly cited.
Explorer Map	See Map Rubric	See Map Rubric	See Map Rubric	See Map Rubric
Woman Report	90% or more of the Texas woman's report contains information about her various accomplishments.	80 - 89% of the Texas woman's report contains information about her various accomplishments.	70 - 79% of the Texas woman's report contains information about her various accomplishments, most of the information is about her background or life.	Less than 70% of the Texas woman report is about her achievements, it is focused on her marriages, children, or husband.

Woman Award	Award is exceptionally creative, neatly colored and explains the purpose of the award well.	Award is neatly colored and explains the purpose of the award.	Award is hand drawn and is colored but is slightly messy.	Award is hand drawn and is colored but is very messy or does not explain the purpose of the award.
Poet Report	Poet report contains all required elements (life, poetry and awards or honors received).	Poet report contains 2 of the required elements (life, poetry and awards or honors received).	Poet report contains 1 of the required elements (life, poetry and awards or honors received).	Poet report contains none of the required elements (life, poetry and awards or honors received) or is not included.
Poem	Poem by the author is typed and includes neat, creative artwork.	Poem by the author is typed and includes artwork.	Poem by the author is typed.	Poem is included but is not by the author, not typed, or is not included.
Author Report	Author report is an extremely well written biography.	Author report is a well written biography.	Author report is included.	Author report is not included.
Author's Literary Works and Awards	Author's literary works and award are included in a neat, creative way.	Author's literary works and awards are included neatly.	Author's literary works and awards are included, but the presentation is sloppy or hard to understand.	Author's literary works are not included or are hand written.
Athlete Report	Athlete report includes 3 or more of the required elements (sport/sports did this athlete played, team/teams the athlete played for, and interesting facts) and is very neat.	Athlete report includes 2 of the required elements (sport/sports did this athlete played, team/teams the athlete played for, and interesting facts) and is reasonably neat.	Athlete report contains 1 of the required elements (sport/sports did this athlete played, team/teams the athlete played for, and interesting facts) or is hand written.	Athlete report is not included or is extremely messy.
Athlete Timeline	Athlete timeline is in color, is very creative and neat and includes a variety of information about his/her career.	Athlete timeline is in color, is neat and includes information about his/her career.	Athlete timeline is slightly messy, but includes information about his/her career.	Athlete timeline is not included or does not include information about his/her career.

Politician Report	Politician report includes 4 or more of the required elements (current politician, political beliefs and accomplishments, religious affiliation, ethics, voting record and other interesting facts) and is very neat.	Politician report includes 3 of the required elements (current politician, political beliefs and accomplishments, religious affiliation, ethics, voting record and other interesting facts) and is very neat.	Politician report includes 2 of the required elements (current politician, political beliefs and accomplishments, religious affiliation, ethics, voting record and other interesting facts) and is a bit messy.	Politician report includes 1 or fewer required elements (current politician, political beliefs and accomplishments, religious affiliation, ethics, voting record and other interesting facts) or is very messy.
Political Poster	Students create an original, accurate and interesting product that adequately promotes the politician.	Students create an accurate product that adequately promotes the politician.	Students create a product that adequately promotes the politician but it is somewhat messy.	Student creates a product that does not promote the politician, is extremely messy, or is not included.
Hero Letters	Two Hero Letters are included. Each Hero Letter contains an introduction and explains why the letter is being written; reasons why this person is a hero; thanking hero for being a good role model) and is very neat.	Two Hero Letters are included. The Hero Letters contain 80 - 89% of the required information (self introduction and explains why the letter is being written; reasons why this person is a hero; thanking hero for being a good role model) and is neat.	One or Two Hero Letter are included. The Hero Letters contain 70 -79% of the required information (self introduction and explains why the letter is being written; reasons why this person is a hero; thanking hero for being a good role model) and is a bit messy.	One or Two Hero Letter are included. The Hero Letters contain less than 70% of the required information (self introduction and explains why the letter is being written; reasons why this person is a hero; thanking hero for being a good role model) and very messy.
Arts & Entertainment Report	Arts & Entertainer Report includes 4 or more of the required information (their style, description of their work, awards/honors received and why you selected this person), is very creative and neat.	Arts & Entertainer Report includes 3 of the required information (their style, description of their work, awards/honors received and why you selected this person) and is neat.	Arts & Entertainer Report includes 2 of the required information (their style, description of their work, awards/honors received and why you selected this person) and is a bit messy.	Arts & Entertainer Report includes less than 1 of the required information (their style, description of their work, awards/honors received and why you selected this person) or is not included at all.
Arts & Entertainment Inspired Work	Individual work inspired by the artist or entertainer is included and is extremely creative, required time and effort or was very well presented.	Individual work inspired by the artist or entertainer is included, is creative, required some time and effort or was presented in an acceptable way.	Individual work inspired by the artist or entertainer is included, but is somewhat messy or "thrown together" in appearance.	Individual work inspired by the artist is included, but is extremely messy and "thrown together" in appearance or is not included at all.
Map Rubric Averaged and recorded above				
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Title	Title tells the purpose/content of the map, is clearly distinguishable as the title (e.g. larger letters, underlined, etc), and is printed at the top of the map.	Title tells the purpose/content of the map and is printed at the top of the map.	Title tells the purpose/content of the map, but is not located at the top of the map.	Purpose/content of the map is not clear from the title.
Map Legend/Key	Legend is easy-to-find and contains a complete set of symbols, including a compass rose.	Legend contains a complete set of symbols, including a compass rose.	Legend contains an almost complete set of symbols, including a compass rose.	Legend is absent or lacks several symbols.
Labels - Accuracy	At least 90% of the items are labeled and located correctly.	80-89% of the items are labeled and located correctly.	79-70% of the items are labeled and located correctly.	Less than 70% of the items are labeled and located correctly.
Labels & Features - Neatness	90-100% of the labels/features can be read easily.	89-80% of the labels/features can be read easily.	79-70% of the labels/features can be read easily.	Less than 70% of the labels/features can be read easily.
Color Choices	Student always uses color appropriate for features (e.g. blue for water; black for labels, etc.) on map.	Student usually uses color appropriate for features (e.g. blue for water; black for labels, etc.).	Student sometimes uses color appropriate for features (e.g. blue for water; black for labels, etc.).	Student does not use color appropriately.