

SOCIAL STUDIES  
RESEARCH PAPER CHECK-IN LIST

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PER. \_\_\_\_\_

This week we are beginning our long term research paper for all 7<sup>th</sup> graders. This paper will build on the information and skills we have been working to develop since September. As well as learning about an important problem and Africa, this paper will allow you to develop important organizational skills and gain confidence in your abilities as an independent learner.

Although you have been exposed to the process of research in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and earlier this year, long-term, independent research work is sometimes very difficult for 7<sup>th</sup> graders. *It's very important that you do not fall behind or miss any steps in this process.* Completion of each step will earn you a certain amount of points towards a **Quiz Grade** to be averaged into 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester.

This assignment will be a valuable learning experience, and you will succeed if you are organized and do thoughtful work during each stage of the process. If there are questions or concerns at any stage of the process, contact me directly.

STEP	DUE DATE	Points Earned	TEACHER COMMENTS (if needed)
<b>Topic Approval Sheet</b>  (5 possible pts.)	4/27		
<b>3 Source Cards and their respective Note cards (at least 30)</b>  (10 possible pts.)	5/6		
<b>3 more Source Cards and their respective Note cards (at least 30)</b> (Must bring in all 60)  (10 possible pts.)	5/17		
<i>Parent Signature</i> (5 Bonus pts.)	5/18		<i>Parent Signature in this Box</i>
<b>Thesis Statement</b>  (15 possible pts.)	5/18		

<b>Outline (2 Copies)</b>  (20 possible pts.)	<b>5/24</b>		
<b>Rough Draft And Peer Editing</b>  (20 possible pts.)	<b>6/2</b>		
<b>Final Paper (2 copies): Points for handing it in on time not the final grade</b> (20 possible pts.)	<b>6/8</b>		
<b><i>Parent Signature</i></b> (5 Bonus pts.)	<b>6/8</b>	<i>Parent signature acknowledges that your child's project is done!!!!!!</i>	
<b>Total to be used as a  Quiz Grade:</b>			

**Notes:**