**Biography Project**

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The biography project will include 3 pieces:

* The AR quiz for your biography project - due 4/28
* Notes - using the notetaking sheet provided - due 4/20
* Biography Project - due 4/28

Using the directions at the back of this packet you are going to make a picture frame and pocket book for your biography project. Carefully read the requirements as some aspect of the project are optional and others are required.

**Project Requirements:**

* Name on the project (2 points)
* A picture of the person you are doing your biography project about should be in the frame you create. This should be creatively done. Think about techniques used in art class. (Print out a portrait and cut it in half drawing the other half). Be creative and have fun but capture the essence of the person you’re studying. (Required - 6 points)
* Next to the frame you will tell what your person’s contribution to America was. This should be written, but should also include visual elements that highlight the importance of this contribution. (Required - 6 points)
* Inside the envelop you will have a bibliography card. Use the hand out from the social studies project to create your bibliography. (3 points)
* Inside the envelop you will have 4 creative cards. You may choose from the list below or come up with an idea of your own. Unless otherwise noted make only one of each type of card. When the cards are put together they should tell about the most important aspects of the person’s life. These cards are worth 5 points each and will be graded based on their level of detail. Extra cards will not earn you extra points you need to create four quality cards. (20 points)

Possible Cards:

* Event Card - Explain in detail an important event from the life of your person. This should include a picture as well as a paragraph describing this event and the importance of it in your person’s life. Be sure to include a time frame. You may do up to three of these cards.
* Timeline - Put two or three cards together accordion style. Create a timeline showing the important events in your person’s life. Put a date, image and short description with each event. This will count as two cards.
* Family - create a card showing the family of the person you are studying explaining who each person is. Tell about the relationships that are important and explain why they are important.
* Inventions or creations- Create a card that shows the inventions or books or other creative things that your person created. Include dates and pictures as well as a paragraph describing the importance of this creation.
* Quote Card - write and illustrate a quote from the person on one side of the card. On the back of the card explain the context of the quote and why it is important.
* Poem Card- Use the information you found about your person to create a poem. Think about the style and words you choose to create this poem, try to make sure it has rhythm and rhyme. Bonus point for choosing a style of poem (not acrostic or haiku).
* Comic Card - create a comic scene showcasing an important event in our persons life.
* Other - come up with a card that you think will highlight something important about the person you are studying.

**Tracking Guide**  (If you turn guide in with work I will complete the table below - otherwise you can complete it):

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| **Assignment**  | **Date Completed**  | **Grade/Notes** |
| AR Quiz |  |  |
| Notes |  |  |
| Biography Project * Name
* Picture
* Importance to America
* Bibliography
* 4 Cards

(list the 4 cards you are creating |  |  |

**Note-Taking Guide for Biography**

Use this graphic organizer to write down important notes while you read. You do not have to complete every section, but you need detailed notes to be successful with your biography project.

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| **Who is the subject of your biography? When and where was he or she born?** |  |
| **What was your person’s family like? Who was in their family?** |  |
| **What are the person’s main accomplishments? Why were they important to America?** |  |
| **What are some important events in your person’s life and why are they important?** |  |
| **What are some of the struggles or challenges this person faced?** |  |
| **How did this person overcome their challenges?**  |  |
| **What characters traits helped them overcome these challenges?** |  |
| **What did this person go on to do in their life? When did he or she die?** |  |
| **What is a famous quote from your person? Why did they say this?** |  |
| **Other important information** |  |

**Rubric for Biography Project**

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| **Project Requirement** | **Student Score** | **Teacher Score** |
| Name on the project - visible but not overwhelming (2 points) |  |  |
| A picture of the person you are doing your biography project about should be in the frame you create. This should be creatively done. (Required - 6 points)* *Picture shows the person 3-points*
* *CCCD 2-points*
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| Next to the frame you will tell what your person’s contribution to America was. This should be written, but should also include visual elements that highlight the importance of this contribution. (Required - 6 points)* *Writing explains the person’s importance to America 2-points*
* *Writing is clear and consist with good grammar 1-point*
* *CCCD 2-points*
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| Inside the envelop you will have a bibliography card. (3 points) |  |  |
| Card 1 - Inside the envelop you will have 4 creative cards. (20 points - 5 for each card)* *Highlights something important (2 points)*
* *Writing is clear and consist with good grammar 1-point*
* *Clear Complete Creative Detailed 2-points*
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| Card 2 (5 points)  |  |  |
| Card 3 (5 points) |  |  |
| Card 4 (5 points) |  |  |
| **Total Points** (35 possible) |  |  |