Research Reflection Paper

Congratulations on being done with your research projects! Now that you are finished, you will be writing a reflection paper outlining your findings and what you took away from this process. This paper will need to be written in MLA format (double-spaced, Times New Roman 12 pt. font). First person is okay – it’s a reflection! 😊 Papers are due on Google Classroom by 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, March 18.

The format of the essay will be as follows. Please note: Your paper must be written in paragraph format. Do not simply answer these questions in bulleted form.

Rationale of Final Project – Paragraph #1
This paragraph should analyze the decisions you made during the creation of your final project (video, PowerPoint, etc.). You must include the following:
- What was the purpose of your final project?
- What was the credibility of your sources? How do you know?
- Who was the audience?
- What were the solutions you addressed?
- What was your call to action?
- If your project did not address any of these – what changes would you make to do so?
 (~6-10 sentences)

Presentation – Paragraph #2
This paragraph should discuss what makes a good presentation/presenter. You must include the following:
- What are the components of a strong presentation? How do you know this? Think about your favorite lessons and presentations you’ve attended (they don’t just have to be from this class!). What made them memorable and effective?
- What makes a strong presenter? Explain. Again, think about the presentations that you’ve attended – what made the presenter memorable and effective?
- How well do you think your group presented? What were your group’s strengths and weaknesses?
 (~4-6 sentences)

Future Implications – Paragraph #3
This paragraph should discuss your takeaways from the project. You must include the following:
- What are skills you learned as part of this project?
- How might you apply these skills to future classes and projects? Explain.
 (~4-6 sentences)

Reflection – Paragraph #4
This paragraph should outline your thoughts on the project process. Think about the research project from start to finish: Annotated bibliography, notecards, outline, project proposal, project, presentation, etc. You must include the following:
- What went well? What did you like about this research project? Explain with examples.
- What didn’t go so well? What would you change about this project if you could?
  ○ Please note: For each negative, please provide a suggestion or alternative to make this project better in the future. Not doing a research project at all is not an option. 😊
 (~4-6 sentences)

Advice for 7th Graders – Paragraph #5
What advice would you give 7th graders about completing this project? Any words of wisdom or things you wish you would have known?
 (~4-6 sentences)