**Unit 2 Research Project: Visual and Presentation Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

You are working on two things today: creating your visual and preparing for your presentation. Both are due tomorrow (Thursday, September 26).

**1) Visual**

You will individually create a small poster, using the images you found and printed yesterday, about your topic.

 Your poster **must** include the following:

\_\_\_\_\_\_ The name of your topic, clearly displayed – NO ONE SHOULD HAVE TO GUESS WHAT YOUR POSTER IS ABOUT.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ At least two images that pertain to your topic, with a caption explaining the image, its significance, or how it relates to your topic.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ At least five facts or statements about your topic that you have learned throughout the course of your research. Make sure you include a CITATION if you’re pulling words directly from someone else’s work.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A brief (3-4 sentences) written reflection on what you learned from this project, what you’re taking away, why you think your topic is important, etc. (basically, this is not the time to give more facts or information, but instead to tell your audience what you believe about your topic and why your topic is important to talk about).

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Color

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Creativity

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Neatness

*Your poster will be connected to those of everyone who else who researched the same topic, kind of like a quilt. In this way, we’ll be able to see a large collage with many facts and opinions about each topic.*

*This leads us into….*

**2) Presentation**

On Thursday, you will have the opportunity to present your topic and research. The presentation is a separate grade in the speaking and listening category, in which you will need to show that you can give an effective oral presentation to your class. This is a group presentation because everyone with the same topic will need to go at the same time. HOWEVER please remember it is an individual grade and you will be graded on your individual speech and presentation.

Here is what I am looking for in your presentation:

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1-2 minutes of speaking

\_\_\_\_\_\_ at least three pieces of information about your topic – NOT being read directly from your poster, but from memory

\_\_\_\_\_\_ a very clear idea of what you learned, what you’re taking away, and why it’s important

\_\_\_\_\_\_ good eye contact, not staring at or reading directly from your poster, but looking around the room and making eye contact with a variety of people in the audience.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ a strong, clear voice, speaking loudly enough that everyone in the audience can hear you.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ good posture and body language, appropriate to the task at hand.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ speech appropriate to an informational presentation (i.e. no slang, no profanity)

*Use the back of this paper to draft/outline your speech. It will be BEST for you if you PREPARE ahead of time. Consider checking with others who have your topic to make sure you don’t repeat the same information over, and over, and over again.*