

End of the Year Project!

Details about research:

Research is to be gathered from a minimum of 5 sources, only three of them have to be in print form and the rest can be from the internet or experts in the field.

You may have **more than 5 sources** and excellent projects generally have between 5-8 sources.

When you are gathering research information you cannot simply copy and paste information into your written part of the project. You need to read it, take notes and then transform those notes into your own written material. We want you to get the following information as a minimum:

- 1) History of your subject (for example, if you are researching about the planet Saturn, I'll want you to show that you know who first discovered it and how that came about) The more details you have here, the better informed you are. Be sure to have important dates listed and pioneers in the field.
- 2) Why you are interested in the subject. Write about how you first got interested in this. What you already know about this before you even start your research, and perhaps what information you really are dying to find out.
- 3) Prepare a list of questions you have about this subject. Included at least 7.
- 4) What magazines, books, or internet sites have information on this topic? List at least 8 sources.
- 5) If you cannot find 8 sources be prepared to switch topics or dig deeper.
- 6) Who are the experts in this subject at the present time? Where do they live? Can you get in touch with them? Find their email addresses and phone numbers and attempt to contact them. Send them any questions from your list that you cannot find answers to at this time.

After you have gathered your research information, plan on how you will present this to the class. Will it be through a video, PowerPoint presentation, oral report, series of posters, a YouTube presentation...? Write down your idea here:

What steps do you need to take to get this plan off of the paper and into reality?

List the steps here:

- 1) - _____
- 2) - _____
- 3) - _____
- 4) - _____
- 5) - _____