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AP Human Geography Research Project Proposal

Directions: Work through the steps below to organize your thoughts before moving to the formal research proposal. All steps must be completed and your project must be reviewed by ANOTHER teacher before being turned in.

Step One - Brainstorm

Directions: In the space below develop a list of at least 5 topics in AP HuGe in which you are interested (ex: World War II, if you need inspiration see the topic list on Mr. Sosebee's website here - mrsosebeehistory.weebly.com)

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Step Two - Preliminary Research

Directions: In the space below establish 10 basic facts about the ONE of the topics above.

Topic: _____

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Step Three - Historical Question

Directions: Formulate your historical question below using the basic research you completed on your topic. Remember, historical questions will be **argumentative, consider cause and effects, open-ended, and specific** (Ex: What is the impact of restrictions on women's reproductive rights in Iran?)

REMINDER: If you can answer your question in a simple google search then your question will likely not pass inspection!

Step Four - Contextualization

Directions: In the space below identify the historical context of your topic. (If you need help, look back at the definition for contextualization that we developed together as a class at the beginning of the semester).

| How has your topic been influenced by any of the themes of geography you learned about this semester? | What historical events created the environment for your event to occur? | What effects have been caused by the phenomena you've chosen to research? How has it affected the country in which it happened, the rest of the world? |
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Step Five - Research Proposal

Directions: In the space below, formally write out your research proposal including your driving question, historical context, and any other important information. This should be written as if it was the introduction paragraph to your research paper. Please follow the ACES + C Writing Protocol using evidence from your preliminary research and contextualization steps. *This section must be reviewed and signed off of by ANOTHER teacher.*

Teacher Approval Signature

I, _____ approve this research topic as comprehensive, appropriate, and relevant. The driving question proposed is broad enough to be researched over the course of two weeks and will result in an appropriate research paper, product, and presentation.

Name:

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Possible Products

Now that you have determined your historical question and it has been approved. Please use the space below to brainstorm what type of product would be best and then what materials you may need.

Product:

Types of Materials Needed: