

U.S. History 1st Semester Term Paper 500 points

Mr. Chapman

You will be writing a 7 page term paper this semester. Your topic is one of the national parks of the United States. Make sure that you have signed up for a park. No more than two people in class can do the same park.

You must answer these questions in your paper:

1. Why was your park founded? (Give the history of the process that made it a national park) 2. What makes this park different from the other national parks? (Compare your park with two other parks) 3. What problems are facing your park either man made or environmental? (Each park has its share of problems discuss some of them and then give your own personal thought as to how they could be fixed.)

*****This paper will need to have the following things in it:*****

--Cover page, any font size (30 pts)

--Table of contents, any font size (30 pts)

--Introductions (introduce your topic and what your report is on) (60 pts)

--Body of the paper (where you discuss, compare, problems and the interview) (180 pts)

--Conclusion (where you discuss the solutions and your ideas) (60 pts)

--Bibliography (list your 7 reference materials, books, newspapers) (100 pts)

--Footnotes (if you use them)

--All notes and graded assignments related to the paper like: summary, intro, bibliography, outline rough drafts of your paper (40 pts)

When we go to the library you will need to do several things there. The first is use locator materials to find your topic. The locator books are the card catalog, computer catalog, and computers with Internet, periodical index, or the librarian. These things will help you find books, magazines, newspapers, or articles on your topic.

When we go to the computer lab use multiple websites, you can get started with is <http://www.nps.gov>. This site will help you get contacts at the park, names of park rangers, and address of the park if you want to send away for specific park info.

Once you have found material on your topic, you will need to take notes and copy information out of the book or magazine for your bibliography. You will need to have at least seven (7) references for your report.

You need to use:

--Books

--Magazines

--Newspapers

--Encyclopedia

--Internet

--Person (MUST interview someone for your report)

Make sure to double-space your reports

Use 12 pt. Font

Use New Times Roman

Time line:

--Choose Park Friday, Aug 28 (10pts)

--Park Summary Friday, Oct 23 (20pts)

--Introduction Friday, Oct. 30 (20pts)

--References/Bibliography Friday, Nov. 6 (20pts)

--Outline Friday, Nov. 13 (30pts)

--Rough Draft Friday, Nov. 21 (20pts)

Final Paper due Friday, Dec. 4th (500pts)

NO EXCUSES, MUST BE TURNED IN ON THIS DAY ONLY! IF YOU ARE ABSENT SEND IT WITH A PARENT OR

SOMEONE TO GET IT IN ON TIME! AGAIN NO EXCUSES!