

Unit Project: Biography Poster

Your Name: _____

Due Date: December 15

Famous Person: _____

Instructions

1. Read the assigned biography (or find your own and get it approved by Mrs. Polay).
2. Plan:
 - a. Answer the *Biography Notes* questions.
 - b. Write the topic sentences for each of your 6 paragraphs. Just like we have been practicing in class, these topic sentences should clearly state what the paragraphs will be about. Don't skip this step. **Write the topic sentences before you write the rough draft.**
3. Rough Draft: Write your rough draft. You should have six paragraphs in this order:

1. Childhood Information

2. Character Traits

3. Major Accomplishments

4. Impact on Others

5. Other Facts

6. Personal Inspiration

4. Then, proofread and revise your essay.
5. Final Draft: The beginning of your essay should be written on the paper that looks like a book. Continue your essay on the lined paper. Do not write on the back of any page. So your writing will be visible after it is stapled together, do not write on the top line of the papers. Do not staple or tape the final draft – Mrs. Polay will put it together.
6. Biography Poster: Complete all parts of the poster. Write and draw neatly. Try to limit cross-out and eraser marks. Color your pictures.
 - a. “Read All About _____ !” : This is where you will mount the final draft of your essay. Do not attach your essay to the poster. Instead, bring it to school in order. The first page should be the beginning of your essay and should be written on the paper that looks like a book.
 - b. Mini-Movie: Draw the three most important events of the famous person’s life. Write captions underneath to explain the events.
6. On December 15, turn in the Biography Poster, the final draft of your essay, the rough draft, and the *Biography Notes*.

Make yourself proud! Start early and do your best work. I can't wait to read your completed project!

Biography Notes (These should be bullet points, not complete sentences.)

Your Name: _____ Famous Person: _____

Date and place of birth: _____

Date and place of death (unless he/she is still alive): _____

1. Childhood Information: Introduce us to this person and write about his or her childhood. Include education and family information.

2. Character Traits: Write about what kind of person he or she is/was. What was it about this person that helped him or her succeed?
