

RESEARCH PAPER RUBRIC AND REQUIREMENTS

The following minimum requirements must be completed in the research paper to receive a passing grade. **If any category falls short the paper is an automatic 'F'**

1. The paper must be typed using TIMES NEW ROMAN, 12 point only.
2. Do not use pronouns, do not write in first person (I, us, we,).
3. The paper must have a cover sheet, and stapled in the upper left hand corner. [Don't ask me for a stapler when you hand it in]: cover sheet has title of paper, your name, course and date due.
4. *Optional*: folder or cover just for protection.
5. Must be a subject from the list below. **You pick the topic before you leave for the summer break**, but it is a "First come, first served" rule.
6. It must have a work cited page with the correct work cited format. (The very last page)
7. It must use at least (minimum):
 - a. 4 primary resources = any non-fiction book not in the secondary category.
 - b. 4 secondary resources = almanac, atlas, reference, volume series, illustrated history, specialized encyclopedia, volume encyclopedia, concise history,
 - c. 4 periodical resources = newspapers, magazines (hard copies or on line)
 - d. 4 primary websites. [can only use .gov or .edu or a legitimate news website. Cannot use Wikipedia]
8. You must have at least 5 MLA parenthetical citations **from each category** of resources in the paper.
9. You must use the correct MLA parenthetical citation format: (author's last name, page number)
10. You must also include two graphs: one you find, and one you create from statistics you locate. MLA cite the source of the graph and statistics.
11. You must also insert at least one historically accurate photo. MLA cite the source of the picture.
12. Both the graphs and the Photo must be MLA Cited
13. Photos and Graphs do not count towards the required number of pages.
14. The paper must be at least 2-3 full pages long, but no longer than 3 pages.
15. The research paper grade is worth the following: a quiz grade
16. It **MUST** be handed in the first day of class in September
17. If it is not handed in by the first day of class in September I do not ever want it. [Absolutely no excuses]

TOPICS TO CHOSE FROM:

Department of Homeland Security since 9-11
Central Intelligence Agency since 9-11
FBI Counter-terrorist Unit since 9-11
Secret Intelligence Service (MI6) since 9-11
Internal Security Service (MI5) since 9-11
National Counterterrorism Center since 9-11

Australian Secret Intelligence Service since 9-11
The General Directorate for Internal Security
Mossad
Shabak
Canadian Secret Intelligence Service since 9-11
New York City Counterterrorism Units