**Differentiated Lesson Plan for Final Writing Project Using Glogster**

Choose a topic

* Famous person
* Current event
* Modern invention
* Work of literature\*
* Historical event\*
* Topic of interest (e.g. Capoeira, African-American Art, Hip Hop Music, architecture, motor sports, etc.)

**Differentiated learning project:**

Students must choose a combination of 100 points of activities. Activities get more difficult and more time consuming as the point value increases. Try to encourage higher-level students to complete the higher point value activities.

**Time line:**

Students can work on their projects during class time.

Start on May 24t end on June 10th

**The Activities:**

**One required activity worth 10 points:**

**Write a paragraph to introduce your topic. Be sure you include a topic sentence, three supporting detail sentences, and a conclusion sentence.**

**Ten-point activities:**

* Appropriately use ten vocabulary words in complete sentences anywhere in your Glog.
* Include ten images that help to illustrate your topic (e.g. photos, icons, symbols). Try framing your most important images to make then stand out.
* Include a map labeled with four or more places, state why these places are relevant (e.g. Holyoke- the birthplace of volleyball)
* Make a word cloud <http://www.abcya.com/word_clouds.htm> with at least ten descriptive words related to your topic and add it to your glog.

**Twenty-point activities:**

* Find a food item related to your topic and include the recipe on a note card text box. Explain how it relates to your topic in a connected text box.
* Create a crossword puzzle with ten single word answers and clues related to your topic, embed in your Glog
* Choose five people related to your topic and include quotes each person MAY have said or really did say, use text bubbles and be sure to state who said each quote.
* Make a Venn diagram of the differences between your topic and a related topic, or two subtopics related to your topic (e.g. hip hop vs. R+B, Michael Jordan vs. Larry Bird, WWI vs. WWII), list three points of information in each section of the diagram. Look in charts and smart art in Microsoft Word, or create your own. If you choose this activity you may not choose the 80 point activity or vice versa.

**Fifty-point activities**

* Make a video of an interview where you are the expert on your topic. Answer at least five questions about your topic. Include this video in your Glog.
  + Alternative to making a real video is to use xtranormal.com and use their characters in the interview.
* Make a video of a process related to your topic (e.g. how to clean a carburetor) in which you demonstrate and discuss the steps to a person who is unfamiliar with this process.
* Write a short narrative for a possible alternative outcome to an element of your topic (e.g. if the slaves had not been brought to America there would be no hip hop music, if Hitler had won the war, if electricity hadn’t been discovered until the 1900s)

**Eighty-point activity**

**Must do parts I and II (includes points for required introductory paragraph)**

1. Write a five-paragraph essay comparing and contrasting your topic with a related topic. Write about how they are similar and different. Be sure to use the five-paragraph essay format. Be sure to include the most important differences and details to support your sub topics. You may not choose the Venn diagram activity if you choose this activity.
2. Choose one famous person related to your topic and write a paragraph describing their life (upbringing, family, major events, impact upon others).