

## Decade/era Project

The 20<sup>th</sup> Century was a period of change in America, and the world. The discoveries, events, and breakthroughs made the course of the world alter drastically. You will create a presentation that highlight the events, people, places, and culture of a chosen decade/era/era that we have studied over the course of this year. (We started with Reconstruction and ended with the US joining World War II.) You should use this sheet as a guide to completing your project successfully. [Example website.](#)

Your project will need to include the following information about your decade/era/era:

- Important world events during your decade/era
- U.S. Politics (Who the presidents were, changes in laws, amendments to the constitution, etc.)
- Conflicts or Wars throughout the world during your decade/era
- Inventions, Discoveries, and Technology of your decade/era
- Pop Culture – Fads (a widespread enthusiasm for something), clothing, music, media (movies, books), and sports information of your decade/era
- The 3 most influential people of your decade/era (and why you think they are the most influential)

This project will be completed by creating a PowerPoint presentation. The PowerPoint must be at LEAST 10 slides long to receive full credit. If you'd rather create a website instead of PowerPoint, that would be very acceptable. Follow the rubric below to learn more about the grading process:

Category / Points->	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>World Events</b>	Project included at least 3 major world events that occurred during their decade/era	Project talked about 1-2 major events that occurred during their decade/era	Project did not talk about major world events
<b>U.S. Politics</b>	Project included the presidents of the period, changes in laws, and if any, amendments to the constitution	Project mentioned some political information, but was lacking	Project did not point out any of the political information
<b>Conflicts &amp; Wars</b>	Project included at least 2 major conflicts or wars that occurred during their period	Project included one important conflict or war	Project did not include information about any conflicts
<b>Inventions and Technology</b>	Project included at least 3 major inventions and discoveries of the period. Project also included what the technology was like during their period (were there any electronics, machines, etc.)	Project included 1-2 major inventions and discoveries of the period, and project included what technology of the period was like	Project did not include any information about inventions, discoveries, or technology
<b>Pop Culture</b>	Project included information about the clothing, music, movies, books, and sports during the period	Project included information about a few elements of pop culture	Project did not talk about any elements of pop culture
<b>Influential People</b>	Project included information about 3 influential people of the decade/era, and why they are influential	Project included 2-1 influential people of the decade/era, and why they were influential	Project did not include any information on influential people
<b>Pictures</b>	At least 10 appropriate pictures were used in the project. Pictures all were used to help show us what the decade/era was really like.	9-5 appropriate pictures were used.	0-4 pictures were used.
<b>Presentation</b>	Presentation is easy to see and read, and at least 10 slides were used.	Presentation is fairly easy to read, and 7-9 slides were used.	Presentation is hard to read, and/or less than 7 slides used.

**Project requirements: for full credit, you will need to have a PowerPoint presentation that includes all of the following:**

- at least 3 major world events that occurred during your decade/era
- the U.S. presidents that were in office during your decade/era
- Any major changes in laws during your decade/era
- Any changes to the constitution that happened during your decade/era
- 2 important conflicts or wars during your decade/era (does not have to be U.S. wars)
- 3 major discoveries or inventions during your decade/era
- Description of what kind of technology was used during your period (any electronics or equipment)
- The type of clothing people wore during your period (description and picture)
- The type of music people were into in your decade/era (and who the popular artists were)
- Any big movies or books that were popular
- Important sports information from your decade/era
- 3 influential (most important) people of your decade/era, and why they are important
- At LEAST 10 pictures (pictures of the world events, wars, presidents, inventions, clothing, and influential people should be done)
- PRESENTATION MUST BE EASY TO READ!

**Research Information: the following websites should NOT be used and will result in a loss of points!**

Wikipedia    Wiki Answers    Ask.com  
Answers.com

**Websites to use:**

Note: generally websites that end in .org, .edu, or .gov are good...otherwise, be careful, the information may be outdated/incorrect!

**Pictures**

Yes, you can use Google image search to find pictures. Just make sure they make sense with your presentation. You don't want pictures of a 1920's gangster holding a laptop (they weren't invented yet!)

**Pictures:** you can simply copy and paste pictures into your PowerPoint by right clicking the picture, selecting "Copy", then pasting it into the program you are using.