



WAX MUSEUM PROJECT

Today marks the beginning of our Wax Museum Project. This project will involve research, writing, and speaking skills. You will choose an individual from history to learn more about. It is important to pick someone who you can find a lot of information about as you will need several internet and book resources for this project. Be sure to check out the famous *historical* figures list for suggestions to get you started. ****You can choose a person that is not on this list****

Here's what you'll need to do:

Task	Due Date
Pick a famous historical figure who you will be able to research	
Complete research packet (6 pages of loose leaf.)	
Final research report AND Speech (around 10-15 sentences long)	
Costumes and Props 5 th grade Presentation	
5 th grade Wax Museum for families	

Costumes & Props will be kept at school for both presentation days.

Final Research Report

Your report should be written in 3rd person. Here are the different aspects you should include in your report:

You should begin your report with a hook that is 1-2 sentences.

Your report should contain *at least* one paragraph on each of the following topics:

1. Early Life
2. Later Life
3. Accomplishments
4. Leadership
5. Impact/Legacy/Conclusion

Your report can be typed or written neatly.

Your report should have a colorful cover, which includes the name of the famous person and a picture.

Speech Requirements

Remember, you will be acting as if you ARE the person that you researched, and will use the word "I". You should include the same aspects of information as in your report. Your speech should only be 10 to 15 sentences. You will write your speech on index cards. It is not a requirement to memorize your speech, and you can use your notes when you are presenting. When using notes, you should still look up and make eye contact with the audience. You should maintain a proper volume, and should be able to correctly pronounce all words in the speech.

Wax Museum Presentation

Presentation to the 5th grade class: _____

Presentation for families and other classrooms: _____

On the days of the Wax Museum, you will need to take your costume to school in a bag. You will be given an opportunity to change into your costume before the Museum. There is no need to purchase a costume; rather try to borrow items, or use items from around your house. You may want to bring in a prop to help represent your historical figure. For an example, Pablo Picasso would have a painters' palette, and Jane Goodall may have a stuffed chimpanzee, and Babe Ruth would have a baseball bat.

On the day of the 5th grade Wax Museum, you will strike a pose until someone presses your button. You will then "come to life" and present your speech to your audience. When you are done, you will again pose. You will present your speech several times to different groups of people.

Costume and props will be left at school for both presentation days.

Extra Credit: You may want to create a small poster with some background information, pictures, or a time line.

