

Reflection Questions for Family History Unit

Learning Target: Describe the uniqueness of your family's geographic, genetic, and historic evolution.

Please answer the following questions thoroughly and thoughtfully in complete sentences. Shoot for a short paragraph for each response.

- 1) Describe the family history project to someone who was not involved in the unit and has no idea what it is all about. Be sure to mention your research, all parts of the yearbook creation, as well as the one minute montage. What happened with the project is that both classes 7th and 8th did seven projects on the history of our family. There was the family tree, our surname, phenotype comparisons, fingerprints of one of our family members and then we had to compare our prints with their's, country of origins, family disorders, and interviewing an older family member than your parents. We had less than a week to complete each (days depend on the project). Then once we turned in one... about two days later we would get a new project, and at the end of these projects all the class members made a montage on our family history. In the montage it has to be 55 sec. to 1 min. and 5 sec., and we at least had to talk about two of our family projects. It was pretty fun.
- 2) Do you feel you met the above learning target throughout the process of this project? If so, how? If not, why not? I think I could've done better but also at the same time I feel like I did the best I could.... like most people say, just do your best. The reason why I thought I could do better is because some of the grades I got back on some of projects weren't the best of grades, but I agree I could've done better on them.
- 3) Why is understanding the unique make-up of your family's evolution (geographic genetic, and historic) so important? Why it's so important is because each individual family has a different history.... and when that person is gone.... the history's gone. You could ask different families (If they don't mind) and sure they would have a few things in common, but then the story would start to change to something completely different from another. Enjoy the history while you can.
 - 1) Which piece of this project gave you the most difficulty; what piece did you struggle with most? Explain. Out of all of the projects I would have to say the hardest one would be interviewing because we had the time set and all but I kept forgetting the materials I needed... so it ran down the time.
- 4) Which piece of this project are you most proud of? Why? The piece I'm most proud of is the montage.... because for me I found it to be hard an all with picking the topics you want, saying exactly what you need yourself to say.... but in the end I did pretty well.

5) What was the most interesting piece of information you found out about yourself and/or family through this project. What I found interesting was my interview with my Pepre, I found out such cool stuff it made me want to live back then. I mean information about what they had to keep their food cold, harvesting crops, making a living.... it was all pretty cool