

Expert Project Assignment #7

Thursday, October 25, 2018

In Class:

- I. Review last week's assignment. Share other resources.
- II. This Week's Assignment: Draft Expert Project Proposals

This week you will outline and draft your Expert Project Proposal.

You will need information from many of the assignments you have completed so far.
Start looking back through these assignments:

- Sub-topic Outline
 - Research Questions
 - Working Bibliography
 - Other Resources List
- Read through the instructions for **Writing a Proposal** on the back of this sheet.
 - Complete the Expert Project Proposal Outline, attached.
 - Draft your proposal in Google Docs. Save it in your Expert Project folder. Name it with your topic and your initials.
 - Edit your draft to be shared next week. Polished and well-edited abstracts will be published and shared with the MMA community.

Due Thursday, November 1, 2018

Writing a Proposal

I. A proposal is a brief summary of a research project, and is used to help the reader quickly understand your plan and intentions. This week, you will write a proposal for your expert project. Your proposal will contain the following...

A. The title of your project and a sentence or two about your topic in general.

B. What, specifically, your project will cover...

For instance, if your topic is traditional clothing, on **which aspects** of clothing will you focus? On which cultures? Refer to your sub-topic outline.

C. What big (more/most thinking) questions do you have about your topic? (Choose 3-4 from your list.)

I hope to find out...

One question I have is...

By the end of my research, I hope to know...

D. What do you hope to accomplish during your project? Here are some sample verbs you might use...

investigate

identify

discover

explain

describe

survey

question

evaluate

analyze

summarize

demonstrate

recommend

E. What types of resources you will use? *List a few...be specific!*

informational books

reference books

experts

magazine articles

newspaper articles

documentaries

field trips/visits

interviews

websites

II. Once you have gathered all of the above information, fill in the attached outline with following this organization:

Paragraph 1

A and B

Paragraph 2

C and D

Paragraph 3

E

III. Type up your your proposal in Google Docs. **Print out your well-edited draft.** You will present this to the group at the next lesson. Polished and well-edited abstracts will be published and shared with the MMA community.

Expert Project Proposal Outline

Paragraph 1: A and B

What is your project? What is it generally about? What will you focus on specifically?

Paragraph 2: C and D

What are you most curious about? What big questions do you have? What do you hope to accomplish during the research process?

Paragraph 3: E

How do you plan to find all this out? What specific resources have you tracked down?