

2018 Utah History Detective

4th Grade Utah History Project Timeline

This year, you will participate in an extensive Home Project on a Utah topic of your choice. Your research and preparation will culminate in both a written research paper and a final product that will be on display in April.

Below you will find an outline to help guide your research.

- Topic selection –
- Gather information – Notes
 - Must include a minimum of 3 sources using at least 2 print resources
 - <http://onlinelibrary.uen.org/>
 - Username: online
 - Password: reader
 - <http://www.weberpl.lib.ut.us/>
- Organize information - Subtopics
- Bibliography –
- Rough Draft –
- Revise and edit -
- Create display -
- Final draft –
- In class presentation and hallway display

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These are the seven categories your project could fall into.

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4. **History** – This is what has happened in the life or development of a people, state, or individual.
 - a. Examples – Story of humankind in Utah, historical events, places, biographies, wars
5. **Political Science** – This concerns the determining of the form of government, choosing the officials, making the laws and performing the function of one's government.

- a. Examples – Government agencies, Utah elected officials (state and local)
- 6. **Sociology** – Beliefs, values, relationships of groups and the principles governing social acceptance
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