

Your Place in American History

The following culminating Advanced Placement United States History project shall help you understand your relationship to our country's history. Instead of considering our study of history this past year as a bunch of facts in your textbook, or notes on a lecture slide, I want you to perceive it through the eyes of your family who helped contribute to this country's story.

The following numbered items shall be answered in order and turned in at the beginning of class on **Tuesday, May 21st**. Your *essay* shall be Word-processed (***12 font, Times New Roman, double spaced, name in the header on the right-hand side, and stapled on top of this sheet***). Thought, effort and research from your nuclear family, relatives and/or Internet sources shall be expected for this assignment. One, two or even three sentences per question shall NOT answer these questions properly for full credit! You may number your paragraphs for clarity.

- 1) **Your Name:** We all have a name and there is usually a story behind where the name came from. What is your story?
- 2) **Your Ancestors:** What is the story of your family's journey to America? Has your family been here for long-time or just recent arrivals? What are the circumstances of their journey?
- 3) What **story** have you heard about in your **family** that is **unique** to you and your family?
- 4) Who in your family has been an **inspiration** to you and why? This can be a story of a favorite relative or some relative who has helped to guide you in life.
- 5) What has been the **turning point** in your life so far? Why was this an important event?
- 6) Locate an **event in American History** that **happened on your birthday**. There may be more than one event. Choose one and describe it in detail.

Point Value

Items Nos. 1-6 = 60 points

Formatting = 10 points

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event in American History may be on birth date, in lieu of year.

Research = 30 points

Total = 100 points

