



Greetings doctors!

I am so excited about this project! You will all do a fabulous job, I just know it. After selecting the right topic for you, the research process will begin. For many of you it may even start this afternoon. I will be meeting with you on an individual basis to discuss your topic and the approach you will be using.

On the following pages you will see examples of bibliographies and helpful hints for completing your research. Remember to begin your project early and do not wait until the last minute to attempt this assignment. I can guarantee that waiting until the night before will **not** result in even a satisfactory project. Your paper must include the following parts:

1. title page
2. body
3. evaluation
4. bibliography

I know that you will be spending a lot of time and energy completing this assignment and predict that the presentations will be outstanding! In case you really want to amaze and mystify your audience, I have listed some possibilities for your visual part of your project:

1. construct a model
2. make a time line
3. make a graph
4. create a mural
5. make a video
6. conduct an experiment
7. invite a guest speaker to address the class
8. PowerPoint Presentation
9. the possibilities are endless.....

You will need a folder for keeping all researched information together. I will be allotting time in the computer lab and in the media center for research during school. However, that does not mean you won't have to do research at home. The due date for this project is \_\_\_\_\_. I will be meeting with you on an individual basis about \_\_\_\_\_ to check your progress and assess how much you have completed.

This is going to be a great deal of fun and discovery. You will all do an astounding job and make me extremely proud! So.....let's get started!

Happy researching,

**Title page:**

This page will be the first page of your research paper. It must include the following:

1. title
2. your name
3. date
4. my name

**Body:**

The body will be the text of your paper. It must be 1.5 to 2.5 full typewritten pages. Do not use a font larger than 16. Your report needs to have a good opening paragraph, but you don't have to write it first. It may be easier to write the informational part first. You might get a good idea for the introductory paragraph as you write the body. The concluding paragraph summarizes the main points made in the report and lets the reader know the report is finished. This will be your last paragraph. Here are some starters for sentences that might catch your reader's attention:

1. I learned
2. I already knew that
3. I wonder why
4. An important date is
5. I was surprised
6. I liked learning
7. Some interesting facts
8. I would like to learn more about
9. This helped explain

**Evaluation:**

The evaluation page of your report will be a paragraph or two about your research project. It should relate what you think about your project and what you enjoyed or would have done differently. This is your opportunity to reflect about the research process. Consider it to be like a fancy journal entry.

**Bibliography:**

This will be the last page of your report. It should include the resources you used to get the information for your report. I have included a sample in this packet ....just look below.©

**For a Web site:**

<http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/magella>

**For a book:**

Fradin, Dennis. A New True Book: Venus, McMillian Press, 1985.

**For an interview:**

Bell, Warren. Scientist, Gulf Breeze High School.

### Grading:

You probably want to know how you will be graded, so included in this packet is a rubric. **A rubric is a rating scale.** Rubrics help focus on the process and not just the product. I want you to know how I will be evaluating you so you can do your best and will be prepared.

When you get ready to begin your research, you may need some ideas for places to look for information. I have listed some ideas that might help. Keep in mind that there may be some I have not listed.

### Research Resources

almanacs	dictionaries	newspapers
atlases	encyclopedias	people
audiotapes	films	picture files
books	graphs	radio programs
catalogs	historical records	slides
charts	internet sites	television programs
comics	magazines	textbooks
CD-ROMS	maps	videotapes

When writing your paragraphs I would like to suggest some signal words that let your reader know when you are talking about something important:

### Cause and Effect

therefore  
because  
because of  
as a result of  
since  
in the same way  
on the other hand  
consequently  
accordingly  
hence  
thus  
as a consequence  
this is the reason why  
otherwise  
so that

### Sequential Order

first  
secondly  
for example  
for instance  
afterward  
furthermore  
this takes us to  
next  
to begin with  
in fact  
also  
in the end  
originally  
initially  
in the beginning

### Compare/Contrast

as well as  
similarly  
while  
either...or  
in comparison  
likewise  
looking back  
in contrast  
like  
rather than  
not only...but also  
although  
nevertheless  
nonetheless  
besides

Presenter's Name \_\_\_\_\_ period \_\_\_\_\_

Oral Presentation:

Spoke loud and clear	5	4	3	2	1
Spoke with expression	5	4	3	2	1
Made eye contact with audience	5	4	3	2	1
Held paper still and below face	5	4	3	2	1
Stood straight	5	4	3	2	1
Gesticulation	5	4	3	2	1
Concentrated on topic	5	4	3	2	1
Answered audience questions	5	4	3	2	1
Demonstrated knowledge of topic	5	4	3	2	1
Used vocabulary correctly	5	4	3	2	1

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Visual Presentation:

Comments:

Presenter's Name \_\_\_\_\_ period \_\_\_\_\_

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## **HUMAN BODY PROJECT**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOPIC** \_\_\_\_\_

**DUE DATE** \_\_\_\_\_