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Recommendations: Literature and History Portfolio Presentations

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## **History**

1. History on demand research presentation: **pass**

**Poet, Paul Dunbar**

**Suggestions:**

\* Find poetry written by Paul Dunbar. If you were to present a paper on him, it would be good to choose some of his poetry to include.

\* If you present this in written or oral form again, add your opinion, analysis, criticism, etc.

2. History written and oral presentation: Oral: **pass** written:

**provisional**

**Egyptian Mummies**

**suggestions for written paper:**

\* edit grammar

\* work on the opening paragraph so the topic of your paper is clearer: what specifically about mummies are you going to focus on?

\* make transition of ideas from one paragraph to another smoother

3. History Portfolio Pieces: **provisional/partial**

**Walter White, Civil Rights Workers** ✓

**Suggestions:**

**Note:** these suggestions are for both papers. But you choose which paper to re-present to the committee in the fall. The other paper should be presented to your adviser and teacher.

\* do more research. Use more than one source for both pieces, cite sources in a bibliography.

\* Make your voice come through in your writing. We don't want just facts, we want your interest in the topic to be evident in the paper.

\* in the Walter White piece: perhaps choose one of the ideas that you wrote about in your paper and focus on that, go more in depth. Bring more focus to the paper -- what is it about White that is interesting to you?

\* edit for grammar

\* make ideas flow from one paragraph to the next

## Literature

1. On Demand Persuasive Paper: **pass**  
**Should Helmets be Mandatory**

**comments:**

- \* your author's voice comes through
- \* the piece was indeed persuasive

2. Oral Book Comparison: **pass**

**Where the Red Fern Grows and Bridge to Terabithia**

**comments:**

- \* well done!

3. Literature Portfolio: **pass**

**comments:**

- \* your voice comes through best in your persuasive writing.
- \* committee especially enjoyed your poem and your piece on Pokemon.

**Overall suggestions:**

- \* date all of your work
- \* proof read more carefully
- \* you write best when you express your opinion in your work.