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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.