

***Seedfolks* Research Project Planning Sheet**

Create a new character based on your research from social studies and share with the class in a Keynote presentation.

On Slide 1: *Seedfolks* Project -- Put the names of the members of your group and an image.

Slide 2: include all this information in bullets

Name of character _____ (first and last)

City and Country of origin _____ (City, Country)

Age _____ Occupation (job) _____

Based on your research from social studies, write a paragraph (not one sentence) to answer each of the questions below. Be sure you write a well-developed paragraph with elaboration, details, and relevant facts- *lots and lots of facts*. Show what you have learned in your research. You are NOT writing a story!

Slide 3 -Why did your character/family immigrate to the US? List at least 5 facts from your research that you could use in this paragraph.

Topic sentence: _____ (name) immigrated to the US because...

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Slide 4 - What would your character plant in the garden? _____

Why? List at least 5 facts from your research that you could use in this paragraph.

Topic sentence: _____ (name) would plant _____ in the garden because...

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Slide 5 - In what way would your character show the **customs** and **traditions** from their country? List at least 5 facts from your research that you could use in this paragraph.

Topic sentence: _____ (name) would show the customs and traditions of _____ (country) by...

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Slide 6 - Which character from the book would your character either be friends or enemies with? Why? List at least 5 facts from your research that you could use in this paragraph.

Topic sentence: _____ (name) would be friends/enemies with _____ (name of character from *Seedfolks*) because...

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

On your Keynote presentation, include the information you learned from your research. You need to be sure to include at least three (3) pieces of researched information in each paragraph and underline the researched information in your paragraph. Your paragraphs should begin with a topic sentence (provided) and strong, detailed supporting sentences. Be sure your information relates to the slide topic. There should be a variety of sentences, and the ideas should flow together. Correct mechanics and grammar is expected – capitalization, punctuation, spelling, grammar. Paragraphs should be flush left, and the first line is indented.

Example

Pablo would be enemies with Nora. They would be enemies because Nora is British, and Britain and Argentina went to war on April 2, 1982. The war was called the Falkan War because they fought over the Falkan Islands. It started when Argentina invaded the islands. They invaded because they needed a distraction to regain their people's support. In the end, Britain won the war. This war would cause Pablo to have a grudge against Nora.

Please use the white background for your Keynote so the text is clearly visible. DO NOT use a dark background!!

Seedfolks Research Project Rubric

Each slide will be assessed based on the information/research gathered, mechanics, and correct grammar usage.

Your presentation will be assessed on evidence of practice, knowledge of information, poise, and group cooperation.

_____ Slide 1 (5 pts) Intro. slide with group's names and visual

_____ Slide 2: (19 pts)

Character's name, City and Country of origin, Age, Occupation, Visual

_____ Slide 3: (19 pts)

In paragraph form, clearly and completely explain why your character/family immigrated to the US **based on your research**. Include visual.

_____ Slide 4: (19 pts)

In paragraph form, clearly and completely explain what your character would plant in the garden and why **based on your research**. Include visual.

_____ Slide 5: (19 pts)

In paragraph form, clearly and completely explain how your character would show the customs and traditions from his/her country **based on your research**. Include visual.

_____ Slide 6: (19 pts)

In paragraph form, clearly and completely explain which character from the book your character would either be friends or enemies with **based on your research**. Include visual.

Extra points may be awarded for creativity, exceptional effort, and quality of work.

