**ELDERSLIE HIGH SCHOOL**
**YEAR 7 HISTORY ASSIGNMENT**
**RESEARCH TASK - ORAL PRESENTATION**
**“AMAZING ARCHAEOLOGY”**

Weighting - 30%

**TASK DESCRIPTION:**
There have been many amazing discoveries in archaeology.

Use the internet, documentaries, books, magazines etc to research one of the following topics. Prepare an **ORAL PRESENTATION (speech)** on one of the topics from the list below.

**POSSIBLE TOPICS TO CHOOSE FROM:**

1. The Iceman (The Alps)
2. The Rosetta Stone (Egypt)
3. The Royal Palace at Knossos (Crete)
4. Angkor Wat (Cambodia)
5. The Terracotta Army - Mount Li (China)
6. Pompeii (Italy)
7. Macchu Pichu (Peru)
8. The Saxon Burial, Sutton Hoo (England)
9. The Tomb of Tutankhamun (Egypt)
10. Troy (Turkey)
11. Another archaeological discovery of your choice based on the list handed to you by your teacher. It is often better to choose an unusual or different topic to increase the impact of your presentation. (*Check with your teacher first about this one.*)

**GUIDE TO RESEARCH:**
You will need to find answers to the following points to include in your oral presentation:

- When and where was your discovery made? (A map would be useful here)
- How was your discovery made? Was it accidental, through extensive research, local knowledge etc?
- How old is your discovery? How do you know this? (Use of science/technology)
- What is the archaeologist’s name? Provide some background on your archaeologist. (*Remember some discoveries were NOT made by archaeologists so talk about the people who DID discover it*)
- What is it made from? How was it made? By whom? What was it used for?
- Who lived there, or owned the objects found?
- **How is your find important to history and archaeology and how does your discovery give us a clearer picture of that period of time in history?** (Very important to include this point at the end of your presentation. *You MUST include the last point in your presentation!!!*)
NOTES ON YOU ORAL PRESENTATION

* Your oral presentation will take place in class on the due date given below. Your oral presentation should be between 3-5 minutes in length. Presentations will allow be allowed to go to a maximum of 6 minutes and then you will be asked to stop.
* You **MUST** use powerpoint, or another form of multimedia presentation such as Prezi, to enhance your presentation.
* When using powerpoint you **MUST** check that you have brought your USB on the day of presentation or copy onto your teacher’s laptop before the due date.
* You will need to use **palm cards** to read from, rather than reading from large pieces of paper. Aim to **interest your audience** as much as possible by talking to them NOT reading to them!!
* A written copy of your speech must be handed in on the due date by all students as evidence that the task has been completed

You will be assessed on your ability to:

1. Research and interpret a variety of sources in order to present a detailed, informed report on a specific topic.
2. Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of archaeology and your specific topic.
3. Analyse and organise the information you have researched, drawing conclusions from your research.
4. Present findings in a clear, relevant and articulate oral presentation.
5. Provide appropriate visual material to support your presentation.

* If there is any aspect of this assignment that you are not sure about make sure that you ask your teacher for help as early as possible.

**DATE DUE – Term 1 Weeks 9 & 10**

**Marking Criteria**

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