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Feasting with Famous Figures

A Thanksgiving Holiday Biography Project

The turkey is roasting, the pies are baking, and the cranberry sauce is...well, jiggling. Thanksgiving is finally here, and as you are about to find out, this Turkey Day will be unlike any other. For this year's feast, you're inviting three special guests who will travel through time to join you! In this Thanksgiving-themed biography project, you will research the lives of three historical figures, plan out the perfect Thanksgiving dinner, and reflect on what each of your famous guests would be thankful for this holiday season!

Project Overview

1. Dinner Invitations / Biographies

- a. Students will choose three famous historical figures to research for the assignment. You may choose from the list provided or find your own with teacher approval. Research each figure's life, beliefs, achievements, and experiences that shaped them into who they were.
- b. Complete the dinner for each of your famous dinner guests.

2. Thanksgiving Dinner

- a. You will plan out your Thanksgiving meal, considering what dish each of your guests would most likely bring with them.
- b. There must be conversation around your Thanksgiving table. Write out five topics that would likely be discussed amongst your guests and how each person would feel about it.

3. "What I'm Thankful For" Creative Writing

- a. Following dinner, all your guests must go around the table and tell what they are thankful for. You will write out a short paragraph from each guest's perspective, explaining what they have to be thankful for.
- b. Use your research and consider their background and life experience as you write these!

4. Presentation

- a. You will combine the steps above into a poster or presentation and present to the class.
- b. Be sure to include a picture of your guests!

Materials Need:


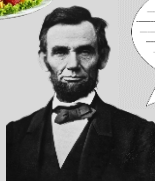
- Device and Internet access for research, posterboard (or device for slide presentation), scissors, glue, pens, markers, etc.

List of Famous Historical Figures

- King Hammurabi
- Moses
- Ramses the Great
- Queen Hatshepsut
- Queen Nefertiti
- King Tutankhamen
- Queen Cleopatra
- Qin Shi Huangdi
- Siddhartha Gautama
- Pericles
- Aristotle
- Leonidas
- Alexander the Great
- Julius Caesar
- Jesus Christ
- Paul the Apostle
- Emperor Justinian
- Empress Theodora
- King Mansa Musa
- Charlemagne
- Joan of Arc
- Genghis Khan
- Marco Polo
- Zheng He
- Queen Isabella
- Christopher Columbus
- Vasco Da Gama
- Simon Bolivar
- Empress Wu
- King Henry VIII
- Johannes Gutenberg
- William Shakespeare
- Isaac Newton
- Galileo Galilei
- Leonardo Da Vinci
- Michelangelo
- Thomas Jefferson
- Marie Antoinette
- Napoleon Bonaparte
- Catherine the Great
- Abraham Lincoln
- Harriet Tubman
- Queen Victoria
- Queen Elizabeth I
- Shaka Zulu
- Anne Frank
- Amelia Earhart
- Winston Churchill
- Joseph Stalin
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Mohandas Gandhi
- Mao Zedong
- Che Guevara
- Rosa Parks
- Frida Kahlo
- Martin Luther King Jr.
- Jane Goodall
- Mother Teresa
- Sally Ride
- Nelson Mandela

Poster Example

Feasting with Famous Figures!


Dinner Invitation #1

If you're invited to Thanksgiving Dinner!
Please complete the background check below and \$10.00 the number of guests that will be joining you.

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Where Are You From? _____
What is your occupation? _____
What are your most well-known traits? _____

What dish will you be bringing to dinner?
Number of additional guests (up to 10): _____
Name: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Thank you! We look forward to you joining us!




Dinner Invitation #2

If you're invited to Thanksgiving Dinner!
Please complete the background check below and \$10.00 the number of guests that will be joining you.

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Where Are You From? _____
What is your occupation? _____
What are your most well-known traits? _____

What dish will you be bringing to dinner?
Number of additional guests (up to 10): _____
Name: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Thank you! We look forward to you joining us!



Dinner Invitation #3

If you're invited to Thanksgiving Dinner!
Please complete the background check below and \$10.00 the number of guests that will be joining you.

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Where Are You From? _____
What is your occupation? _____
What are your most well-known traits? _____

What dish will you be bringing to dinner?
Number of additional guests (up to 10): _____
Name: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Thank you! We look forward to you joining us!

Conversation Topics

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

*Instructions: Complete the Dinner Invitations from your historical figures' points-of-view.
Cut out and attach to your poster when completed.*

Dinner Invitation #1

*You're invited to Thanksgiving Dinner!
Please complete the background check below and
RSVP the number of guests that will be joining you.*

Name: jesus

Date of Birth: ?

Where Are You From? heaven

What is your occupation? healing

What are you most well-known for?

~~miracles and son of god~~ healing the sick and afflicted
pulling a lot of fish from sea

What dish will you be bringing to dinner?

bread and water and any thing we want

Number of additional guests (up to 3)? 3

Names: 1. moses

2. adem

3. eve

Thank you! We look forward to you joining us!



*Instructions: Complete the Dinner Invitations from your historical figures' points-of-view.
Cut out and attach to your poster when completed.*

Dinner Invitation #2

*You're invited to Thanksgiving Dinner!
Please complete the background check below and
RSVP the number of guests that will be joining you.*

Name: king henery viii

Date of Birth: June 12, 1929

Where Are You From? ^{hiding} england

What is your occupation? king,leader

What are you most well-known for?
having seven wives and a legendary apittie

What dish will you be bringing to dinner?
grapes,rolls

Number of additional guests (up to 3)? 3

Names: 1. wife

2. wife

3. wife

Thank you! We look forward to you joining us!



*Instructions: Complete the Dinner Invitations from your historical figures' points-of-view.
Cut out and attach to your poster when completed.*

Dinner Invitation #3

*You're invited to Thanksgiving Dinner!
Please complete the background check below and
RSVP the number of guests that will be joining you.*

Name: rosa parks

Date of Birth: February 4, 1913

Where Are You From? Tuskegee, Alabama.

What is your occupation? destroy racism

What are you most well-known for?
for not moving to the back of the bus

What dish will you be bringing to dinner?
she finna bring chicken and dumplings

Number of additional guests (up to 3)? 3

Names: 1. Johnnie Rebecca Carr

2. martin luther king

3. ed nixon

Thank you! We look forward to you joining us!



Instructions: For each of your historical figures, write a short "I'm thankful for..." paragraph from their POV. Use your research and consider their background and life experience as you write these!
Cut out and attach to your poster (next to a picture of the historical figure)

I'm thankful for...

being able to heal the sick, and i'm thankful for the deciples that did my work
and helped make the gospel . and that im able to have the army of god building zion.

I'm thankful for...

haveing seven wifes to do my work and being able to eat almost every thing i want



I'm thankful for...

the things i was able to do and im thankful for martin luther king to help with \ equal color rights that it was able to be solved.and im thankful that my efforts

worked and it was not nothing.

Instructions: Write five topics that your three guests would likely discuss while having dinner together. Consider what traits, beliefs, or passions they have in common, ideas that they might disagree on, or experiences relating to the time periods or regions in which they lived. Cut out and attach to your poster when completed.

Conversation Topics

1. they would probably talk about how moses split the red sea like the segregation between blacks and whites
2. Jesus would rant about henry for having too many wives
3. rosa parks might suggest why jesus made blacks
4. adam and eve would be accused for breaking the one and only rule
5. they might talk about why jesus dont just get rid of satan.



Project Rubric

	Exemplary (100%-90%)	Proficient (89%-80%)	Approaching (79%-70%)	Unsatisfactory (69%-0%)
Research Content (0-60 pts.) _____/60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content is accurate • Content is detailed • Content is exemplary • Content is displayed according to directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content is accurate • Content is adequate • Content is comprehensive • Content is displayed according to directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content is accurate • Content is too basic • Content is missing a few details • Content is mostly displayed according to directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content is inaccurate • Content lacks necessary detail • Content is missing • Content isn't displayed as asked
Organization (0- 20 pts.) _____/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info is where it's supposed to be • Design and writing are neat and easy to read • Name/class period are included 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info is where it's supposed to be • Design and writing are adequately legible • Name/class period are included 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info is on the poster • Design and writing are mostly legible • Name/class period are included 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info is missing • Design and writing aren't legible • Name and/or class period missing
Creativity/ Aesthetics (0-20 pts.) _____/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High level of effort apparent • Design and writing are colorful and creative • Organized in a pleasing manner • Content is easy to read and flows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effort is apparent • Design and writing are colorful and gets the point across • Design is organized • Content is easy to read 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effort is so-so • Design and writing lacks color or creativity • Design and writing aren't organized very well • Content is illegible or rushed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effort is embarrassing • Design and writing have no color or creativity • Design and writing have no obvious organization • Content is terrible

Final Score _____

Comments:

