Each group will be assigned a topic:

* The Death of Alexander the Great, 332 B.C. (pg. 118-121)
* The Fall of the Western Roman Empire, A.D. 476 (pg. 138-143)
* The Beginning of Mongol Rule of Russia, A.D. 1237 (pg. 158-163)

Research:

Conduct research using your textbooks, the Internet, and library sources. Be sure to cite your sources that you use. Prepare notes to help you organize your information and create visuals such as maps, charts, and posters to illustrate your newscast. Be sure to answer these questions: What was happening before the event? What caused the event? How did the event occur? Who was involved in the event? When and where did the event happen? What were some affects of this event? Be sure that your facts are correct and that you give a DETAILED account of the situation.

Plan:

Construct a plan that details the format of your newscast and the roles of all group members. Some members of the group can be news reporters, anchors (the host of the news), directors, and more. Be sure to include interviews of major historical people involved. Each member of the group should research and come up with information about the assigned topic. Each member of the group will create an idea for a commercial: this should be an advertisement about a product or tourist attraction current from the time period that’s being reported on. Each member of the group will also create a power point presentation to show behind the newscast with visuals and information supporting the news report.

Rehearse:

Have many rehearsals and run-throughs before presenting your newscast. Be sure that everyone knows what they are supposed to do during the presentation and the order in which the reports and interviews are presented.

Present:

We will be videoing these newscasts in our World History class and with Mr. Chernock. Remember to stay in your assigned roles and to refer to the visuals your group has created during your presentations. Each video will be edited and clean by the time Key Assignment Day comes around on December 13th. We will present these videos as a class to the parents, students and your peers here at Q.I.S.S.