**8th Grade Country Mini Lesson Project**

The purpose of this assignment is for you to learn about a topic that will not be covered in class in great detail. You should choose something you are interested in as the assignment is meant for your enjoyment. You will conduct research on Korea or other Southeast Asian Countries. Your power point presentation for your mini-lesson must include the following information:

* + Geography and Climate
  + Culture- Dress, Cuisine, Traditions (past and present)
  + History
  + Government (past and present- major rulers)
  + Language (past and present)
  + Famous People (past and present)
  + Location (past and present)
  + Historical Significance (importance)
  + Residents (who lived there)

Remember to be creative and entertaining! No one likes a boring teacher =)

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| CATEGORY | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** |
| **Presentation** | Well-rehearsed with smooth delivery that holds audience attention. | Rehearsed with fairly smooth delivery that holds audience attention most of the time. | Delivery not smooth, but able to maintain interest of the audience most of the time. | Delivery not smooth and audience attention often lost. |
| **Sources** | Source information collected for all graphics, facts and quotes. All documented in desired format. | Source information collected for all graphics, facts and quotes. Most documented in desired format. | Source information collected for graphics, facts and quotes, but not documented in desired format. | Very little or no source information was collected. |
| **Attractiveness** | Makes excellent use of font, color, graphics, effects, etc. to enhance the presentation. | Makes good use of font, color, graphics, effects, etc. to enhance to presentation. | Makes use of font, color, graphics, effects, etc. but occasionally these detract from the presentation content. | Use of font, color, graphics, effects etc. but these often distract from the presentaion content. |
| **Requirements** | All requirements are met and exceeded. | All requirements are met. | One requirement was not completely met. | More than one requirement was not completely met. |
| **Mechanics** | No misspellings or grammatical errors. | Three or fewer misspellings and/or mechanical errors. | Four misspellings and/or grammatical errors. | More than 4 errors in spelling or grammar. |
| **Content** | Covers topic in-depth with details and examples. Subject knowledge is excellent. | Includes essential knowledge about the topic. Subject knowledge appears to be good. | Includes essential information about the topic but there are 1-2 factual errors. | Content is minimal OR there are several factual errors. |
| **Organization** | Content is well organized using headings or bulleted lists to group related material. | Uses headings or bulleted lists to organize, but the overall organization of topics appears flawed. | Content is logically organized for the most part. | There was no clear or logical organizational structure, just lots of facts. |
| **Oral Presentation** | Interesting, well-rehearsed with smooth delivery that holds audience attention. | Relatively interesting, rehearsed with a fairly smooth delivery that usually holds audience attention. | Delivery not smooth, but able to hold audience attention most of the time. | Delivery not smooth and audience attention lost. |
| **Originality** | Product shows a large amount of original thought. Ideas are creative and inventive. | Product shows some original thought. Work shows new ideas and insights. | Uses other people's ideas (giving them credit), but there is little evidence of original thinking. | Uses other people's ideas, but does not give them credit. |
| **Workload** | The workload is divided and shared equally by all team members. | The workload is divided and shared fairly by all team members, though workloads may vary from person to person. | The workload was divided, but one person in the group is viewed as not doing his/her fair share of the work. | The workload was not divided OR several people in the group are viewed as not doing their fair share of the work. |