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INTRODUCTION

You need to research a topic ready for next year. Choose one of the subjects you are going to do from the list below.

You will need to:

- Research that topic online –
 - Keep track of all sources
 - Explain how you checked the validity of information
 - Screenshot using advanced search
- Present your findings
 - Use PowerPoint or Prezi (www.prezi.com)
 - Make sure you only put bullet points or images on the presentation
 - Use the notes section or separate note page to write up everything you will say

PD

Choose one or two from below:

1. Industrial processes
2. Product Life cycle
3. The 6Rs
4. Market pull and technology push
5. Smart materials
6. Moral, cultural, social and ethical issues in Product Design

CRS

Religion and medicine (Issues of abortion, IVF and euthanasia in particular) or how faith is portrayed in the media

PE

A presentation on the structure and function of the cardiovascular and respiratory systems

DRAMA

1. Theatre practitioners- Stanislavski, Brecht and Artaud
2. Research the different types of theatre, stage directions, lighting and set design elements

MFL

A research project based around the idea of why languages are important in the world of work e.g. Your boss is going to send you to China/Spain for a year. Although your colleagues will speak English in the workplace, you will need to learn basic Chinese/Spanish for everyday life in town (e.g. shopping, greetings, health problems). You now need to put together a range of resources that are available online to help you master basics as well as find out about important aspects of life in that country. Your resource should contain facts with images and graphs, hyperlinks to webpages, youtube videos or similar with screenshots of the linked sites and a brief review of what the hyperlinked resources offer as well as a list of basic phrases in the foreign language (ideally with pronunciation help (soundfile))."

ART

Select the work of an artist (a well-known artist and not just an amateur one you found on Deviant Art) and do some sort of presentation on them; life facts, their influences, style, materials and techniques used, subject matter etc.

COMPUTING & MULTIMEDIA

Computing

Research and develop a presentation either of the following:

1. Future developments in Computing
2. System life cycle

Multimedia IT

You have been asked to create the keynote presentation for the launch of the Apple iCar.

Full task details can be found here - <http://mmu10.weebly.com/>

SOCIOLOGY

- Look at issues of identity in society (eg: how does the family, the education system, and the media shape our identity?)
- Why do people commit crime? (age, gender, poverty etc)
- What role does the family play in society?
- What different types of schools are there?
- Does everyone have the same opportunities to be successful in life?

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

- What types of family groups do we live in?
- Why do children end up in foster care?
- How easy is it to adopt a child?
- Why is ante natal care important?
- What types of pain relief are available for child birth?
- What do children need in order to develop well, eg: love, routine, fresh air, nutrition etc.

HISTORY

Investigate Vietnam and the Guerrilla tactics used by the Vietcong

GEOGRAPHY

The Sahara Desert (Could focus on: Bedouin people, landforms, plants and animals and their adaptations, solar energy potential of....)

The Andes Mountains (Could focus on the Altiplano, Macchu Pichu, Glacial melt here due to global warming....)

TEXTILES

Research the following artists;

- Caz Holmes
- Louise Gardiner
- And Louise Watson

Produce a moodboard of each artists work and a piece of writing about what techniques they use, what you think of their work and do you like it/dislike it and most importantly **WHY**.

BUSINESS STUDIES

Microsoft & Apple

How have the original founders of each company influenced the people, philosophy and successes?

Research task

To answer the above question, you need to go and research each company

- 1 Gather a small amount of history of the company and its founders
- 2 What products or service that they offer?
- 3 What are their mission statements/goals/objectives?
- 4 Who is their target market (customer base) and how are they different?
- 5 How is their organisation set up e.g. managing director etc, their organisation chart
- 6 What are their annual figures E.g. sales and profit?

Extended research questions

- 7 What is the longevity of the business and where do you perceive each to be in the next ten years?
- 8 On reflection, has each business evolved due to the original founders relinquishing control? Has this had a positive or negative effect?

Written news article

Submit the above research as a portfolio of evidence to support this independent project. On completing your research, produce a business themed news article supported by your research that shares your thoughts on the opening question.

MUSIC

Film Music Research Project- Research the different genres of film e.g. horror, comedy, romantic.

1) Research the history of film music e.g. silent films to present day

2) Compare the different styles of music you would expect to hear in each film genre. You should make reference to instruments, film composers and the musical elements

PSYCHOLOGY

Find and write down 3 different definitions of **Psychology**

Then research the following studies by psychologists:

- Bickman's (1974) study into obedience
- Van Hoette & Jarvis' study into pet ownership and 'the self'
- *Optional stretch and challenge: Terry's (2005) study into memory*