

Biography Project Checklist

_____ You have an interesting and effective introduction

_____ The report is engaging and focuses on the unique qualities and accomplishments of your subject. In other words: the audience has learned something and is interested!

_____ You are well-prepared and well-rehearsed.

_____ You know your stuff. There is no reading from the PowerPoint or paper; Student demonstrates a clear understanding of subject. The student varies the volume and pace of speech; there is no mumbling, and everyone in the room can hear.

_____ The presentation is not monotonous. Student selected appropriate vocabulary.

_____ Your slides include simplified information (i.e., in bullet form) vs. entire paragraphs or sentences. You rely on your speech to "fill in the blanks." In other words, main ideas are included in presentation and minor (but important) information is included orally.

_____ Graphics help clarify understanding and appreciation for the subject.

_____ You use media to enhance subject. The presentation contains at least one graphic per slide, most of which do not rely heavily on ClipArt. Graphics and animations have been used to attract and maintain audience's attention as well as enhance subject matter.

_____ Graphics and animation are chosen logically to support topic. In other words, there is a clear purpose for each graphic. Graphics are also varied and appropriate.

_____ Ideas are effectively presented using sensible organization.

_____ Audience is able to follow the sequence of ideas because they flow into one another logically (transitions)

_____ Your slideshow has logically ordered content slides (which include an introductory and conclusion slide) + a title slide + bibliography. _____ You have at least 25 slides in your presentation.

_____ You have provided a bibliography at the end of the presentation that follows the proper MLA format for all informational texts. (Bedford Bibliographer does this.)

_____ For images you have provided a citations slide in the following format: Description or title of image. [Online Image] Available <http://address/filename>, date of document or download.

_____ Your presentation shows clear evidence of preplanning and research. Facts are accurate.

_____ It is evident that a lot of time and effort went into the creation of this presentation.

_____ Presentation matches your note cards. The content is thorough and the text is error free.