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Presidential Project

Your President:

Your task is to do research, write a report and a piece of creative writing, and a Works Cited page.

Part I: Research—Follow the research steps below:

1. Notes from Text Book: Read and take notes on the sections in the text book about your president (might be the same as the conflict project).
2. Print out & Notes on a Book Review: Make a list of biographies about the president (books)
   * + Find and print out a book review of one of the biographies of the President
     + Notes on book Review
3. Print out of and Notes on Primary Source: Go to these sites and print out one primary source related to or written by the president:

<http://www.loc.gov/rr/program/bib/presidents/index.html>

<http://cnu.libguides.com/primarypresidents>

Read, look up difficult vocabulary, and paraphrase/summarize/take notes on the primary source.

1. Create a Works Cited page using MLA form. Use the worksheet on the back to help record citation information.

Part II: Report—Please write a 2 page paper in narrative form including the following information written in your own words:

* Early life
* Education
* Career before politics (if applicable)
* Road to the Presidency
* Important events or decision made during presidency
* Recount and anecdotal story about the president. These would be found in a biography about the president. (Use the book reviews from your research.)
* Your reflections on the president—how he handled difficult situations etc.

Part II: Creative writing: You should write a one to two page typed 12pt font piece of writing. Here are some ideas for your creative writing piece:

* A letter from the president to someone
* A newspaper article from an event during his presidency

Your ideas: