TEXAS HISTORY PROJECT #1

NATIVE AMERICAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO MODERN DAY SOCIETY

Project: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/nrcs141p2_024206.pdf>

Native American people were very resourceful and inventive. Many aspects of modern day society can be credited to the Native American Cultures, such as food, tools, weapons, methods of transportation, art, music, communications and even laws and forms of government.

Part 1 (Research Report)

Read the attached document for more information and select three (3) contributions of the Native American Societies to research and report on.

Projects may be presented

~ digitally (Google Slides, Prezi, Power Point, iMovie, documentary, etc.)

~ hard copy (trifold board, poster board, or written report)

Requirements

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 points Name, Date, class section Title

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 points Statement regarding the importance of the Contributions of Native Americans.

\_\_\_\_\_ Selection of 3 contributions (75 points total)

For EACH Contribution

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5 points List the contribution with a picture / name

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 10 points Tell history of the contribution using pictures, graphs, charts, etc. and written explanations (or verbal if done as a video / movie)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 10 points Tell the modern day use / need / appreciation of the contribution using  graphs, statistics, timelines, etc.

\_\_\_\_\_ 10 points Closing statement regarding the contributions and the importance of giving recognition to the beginning of the contributions.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 points - list of resources for research

\_\_\_\_\_ Extra credit - 10 points added for efforts to go above and beyond in the presentation.

Part 2 (PBL – research and design) Digital presentation only

You have been selected to design an exposition that accurately portrays the life of a selected Native American Tribe of Texas for the Native Americans of Texas Museum of History.

Your exposition must represent interesting and interactive elements that accurately tell the history of your Native American tribe.

1. Create a driving or essential question to be answered and understood through the contents of the project.
2. The information provided must be factual, backed by documented archeological or other historical information that supports the information being presented.
3. The categories that must be represented include
   1. Ways of living (physical survival)
   2. Social norms (hierarchy, gender roles, family units, trade)
   3. Political structure
   4. How geography influenced their life with supporting evidence

This project is worth 100 points. With 25 % weight given to each of the 3 criteria above. The final 25% will be for overall effort in research and presentation.