Jane Goodall

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I have always loved animals and the natural world. When I learned about the theme I thought this was my chance to do something related to animals. I decided to research Jane Goodall because she has given us a greater understanding of chimpanzees and the natural word. She communicates to us about how chimpanzees are losing their homes due to deforestation and the bushmeat industry. She is helping the world understand the impact of these industries and what we can do to help stop them.

When I started researching my topic I began by looking at Britannica School Online to get an overall understanding of Jane Goodall. The sources that I used for my project were a couple websites, two documentaries, a TED Talk, and a book. My most helpful source was Jane Goodall's autobiography *My Life with the Chimpanzees* because it had lots of detailed information about different parts of her life. As I worked on my research, my understanding of the topic changed because I thought that Jane Goodall only worked with chimpanzees but she also did studies on African Wild Dogs and Olive Baboons and is working to help humans and other animals too.

I chose to create a website because I thought it would be a creative challenge. After creating the home page with my thesis statement, I made additional pages, including "Biography", "Goodall and the Chimpanzees", "Educating the World", and "Impact". I chose to break down my topic into these sections because three of them represent a different part of her life and one section represents her whole life.

The main form of communication that Jane Goodall uses is oral and written. Her speeches, books, and talks have taught us about chimpanzees and threats facing the natural world.

Goodall has taught us almost everything we know about chimpanzees, like how they hunt and have strong social groups. When Jane Goodall first set out on her research trip the world thought that chimps were peaceful, dumb, vegetarians. She changed those beliefs by teaching the world that chimps will go to war, can use tools, and are avid meat eaters. From all of the research that Jane Goodall did, she helped us understand chimpanzees so we can save them. And by saving them we can save the world.