Digital Presentation

Check out the presentation post on the library website for links, tips, and resources! <https://www.smore.com/y78c-planning-creating-presentations>

Five Rules of Good Presentations:

1. Keep it **simple**.

2. Choose a **theme** and **color palate**.

3. Be intentional with your choices of **font and graphics**.

4. Incorporate **video** and/or **audio**.

5. Edit, revise, and **practice**.

Advice:

* Keep in mind your time limit as you plan: 3-5 minutes. Consider sketching out a timeline or storyboard of your presentation as you draft, so that time is used meaningfully. Think of drafting your presentation like drafting an essay – break your presentation into “paragraphs,” or groupings of meaning that transition smoothly.
* Consider what colors, textures, and fonts help build the tone you think matches your research about your biome. Plan this out before getting on a computer.
* Limit the content on each slide. Slides should support what you are presenting verbally, not duplicate or repeat. Pay close attention to the word and bullet-point limits Mrs. Groch set.
* Include a Works Cited. This can be a slide at the end, or can be turned in separately.
* Practice your presentation aloud and in front of others a couple of times. Minimize or eliminate “likes” and “ums” as much as possible. If you deliver your presentation to someone else, ask them to pay attention to patterns, mannerisms, or subconscious habits you might have during speaking. If you’re aware, you can work to avoid them. For example, have someone count the “likes” and “ums.”
* Avoid using each other as a crutch during the presentation. It’s ok to make some eye contact with group members if necessary, but you want to avoid it as much as possible. A presentation is far more engaging if you are focusing on the audience.
* Dress for success. Wear something that is professional – not too casual, not distracting.
* Consider brainstorming ways of actively engaging the audience. Asking questions, quick activities, volunteers, and a visual aid for them to have, etc.

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Look at the following websites and determine which one will be the best fit for your group’s biome.

1. Mentor Mob: learning playlists
   1. [www.mentormob.com](http://www.mentormob.com)
2. LiveBinder: 3-ring web binder for resources
   1. [www.livebinder.com](http://www.livebinder.com)
3. Slideshare: upload and share a powerpoint or Adobe portfolio.
   1. [www.slideshare.net](http://www.slideshare.net)

Reminders

* See assignment sheet for the necessary elements
* Consider creating a group checklist and timeline
* Incorporate charts, graphs, graphics (see Mrs. Groch’s assignment powerpoint)
* Be absolutely sure that what you turn in is on time, compatible and/or accessible with school computers, and is your best collaborative work.
* Miss Finegan is available to consult with about any of this. A period, brunch, and after school on Wednesdays and Thursdays are the best time.