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NATIONAL HISTORY DAY PROJECT
ASSIGNMENT #5: WHAT ISSUES DO LEADERS CONFRONT? (PT. 2)



DUE DATE: NEXT CLASS PERIOD

PART I: STOP & JOT

ACTIVITY RATIONALE: Our goal for today is to recognize *topics* of interest, rather than just leaders we find interesting. It is one thing to be interested in a various historical figure (*i.e.* Martin Luther King, Gandhi, etc), but, if you are not personally interested in the *issues* that a leader is primarily associated with, you may want to reconsider that leader. Today's class is devoted to further highlighting *topics* of interest.

A “topic”, in this case, is the combination both areas of personal interest with a leader of personal interest. For example, if you wrote in class yesterday that you were interested in women's rights, Africa in the 21st century, and Leymah Gbowee, then the “topic” of Leymah Gbowee's legacy of leadership in the Liberian Civil War could perfectly suffice as a topic.

ACTIVITY DIRECTIONS: Looking at your list from the previous assignment (*NHD Assignment #4*), select three of the five areas of interest you came up with yesterday. If you don't like any of the areas of interest you came up with, that's okay. Think of new areas of interest that may align with a leader who is also of personal interest. Complete the graphic organizer below. Treat this page as a model for future topics of interest.

****BY NO MEANS ARE YOU LIMITED TO THE TOPICS YOU LIST ON THIS GRAPHIC ORGANIZER.** If you come across another topic of interest that is of even greater personal interest, then *by all means: select that topic.***

TOPIC OF INTEREST #1:

INFORMATION SOURCE:

(What is the website title(s), book title(s) that is informing you?)

PAGE # /
WEBSITE ADDRESS

WHY is this topic personally interesting to you?

What aspects of this topic of interest do you think are worth noting or central to this topic?

(i.e. If your topic of interest is Leymah Gbowee's legacy of leadership in the Liberian Civil War, then individuals like Charles Taylor or Child Soldiers are aspects worth noting)

What are two fundamental questions that you have about this topic of interest?

What have you discovered in response to the fundamental questions you have posed above?

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TOPIC OF INTEREST #2:

INFORMATION SOURCE:

(What is the website title(s), book title(s) that is informing you?)

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TOPIC OF INTEREST #3:

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