

Exploring Africa

Fishline Timelines

In an effort to learn about the countries and history of Africa, each group will be required to create a fishline timeline to hang in Mr. Wood's classroom. I'll post a few from last year up so that you get a look. But remember this creation is YOUR CREATION...not theirs. The due date for Timeline creation is still up in air - probably before Spring Break

FISHLINE TIMELINE GUIDELINES



1 - 12 entries minimum

You must have at least 12 entries hanging on your final timeline. You may choose to have more than 12. Many students have done - 15 or more. Whatever you feel is necessary to write your story.

2 - Consistent color

Choose a paper color and stick with it throughout. This will lend consistency to your message. You might want to choose a color that is symbolic to your african nation - flag, people, or tribal culture.

3 - 8 X 10 Folded / CREATE in duplicate

You will be using an 8 X 10 paper, so when creating your message fold the paper and mirror your message on each side. by hanging it over the fishline you will have a consistent message on either side of the

wire. Type or draw your dates at a consistent level on your paper so that they are legible throughout the length of the timeline; consequently the timeline will hang chronologically on one side reverse chronologically on the other. Dates must be at least 48 Pt font.

4 - five photos

Someplace on these 12 pages - five need to have photos. or drawings the photo needs to be repeated on each side of the hanger. you may choose to have photos on all 12 if you wish to.

5 - 2 thematic

Two of your hangers must be thematic (no dates). One of those two has to feature the name of your country. Make it large enough to see from across the room. you may choose to place flags, maps, country outlines, words (your choice) to identify your african nation. If you do a map -

remember the borders only - without an accompanying map of Africa is confusing - since no country in the world, maybe other than Australia is recognizable without its bordering states.

6 - 10 dated hung in chronological order

The other ten hangers must be dated. These dates need to hang in chronological order.

7 - specific date requirements

1 date - Pre islamic history / prior to 672 AD when Mohammed founded the religion of islam

1 date - must deal with time period of the european / american slave trade from 1500 to 1865

1 date - must deal with the time period of 19th century european imperialism and africa conquest

5 dates - 20th century

...the other 2 dates can go anywhere you choose them to go

8 - 2 PEOPLE

You must feature at least two individuals from your nation's history. You may choose to date their lives from birth to death, or date a significant event in their lives. However, they must dominate the particular creation.

9 - Follow up research

Once we finish - and hang the timelines - I will choose three of your 10 entries for you to do further research on. so as you are selecting your final dates - keep in mind that you will be digging deeper on some them.

10 - It's gotta be up by Spring Break (this is a soft date - it may change) / and you gotta hang it!