



Research Project Calculator

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Starting on: 2/8/2010
Assignment due: 3/8/2010
You have 27 days to finish.
Good luck on your research project!

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Step 1: Question

- What do you know about your assignment?
- What do you know about your topic?
- What do you want to know?
- What's the question or problem you will focus on?

By Thursday Feb 11, 2010

Write a specific research question or hypothesis.

Step 1 Teacher Information

- About the Research Project Calculator
- What do you want them to learn?
- What instructions have you prepared for your student?
- How do you get the student to move from a topic to a question?

By Thursday Feb 11, 2010

Write guidelines and draft rubric for the evaluation of the project. Reserve labs and ensure access to necessary software and hardware.

Review each student's research question or tentative hypothesis.

Step 2: Gather

- About this step
- Where will you look for information?
- What search tools will you use to find the best information to answer your question?
- What keywords will you use?
- How will you identify the best sources?
- How will you record what you find?
- How will you give credit to your sources?

By Monday Feb 22, 2010

Create an annotated bibliography and record notes from sources.

Step 2 Teacher Information

- About this step
- How will you introduce your students to information resources?
- What tools will you require your students to use in their information search?
- How will you guide your student to select appropriate keywords?
- How will you advise your student on evaluation of resources?
- How will instruct your students in note-taking?
- How will you instruct your students to format a bibliography?

By Monday Feb 22, 2010

Review each students notes and draft bibliography.

Step 3: Conclude

- What did you learn from reading, listening, and viewing?
- How will you organize the information you found to answer your question or defend your hypothesis?

By Saturday Feb 27, 2010

Confirm thesis and outline main points.

Step 3 Teacher Information

- About this step
- How will you encourage creative and critical thinking as students consider their learning and draw conclusions?
- How will you introduce you students to organizing information to support their conclusion?

By Saturday Feb 27, 2010

Review thesis statements and outline

Step 4: Communicate

- Written Essay or Research Paper
- Draft text and create visuals
- Revise text and insert visuals
- Edit
- Print final paper

By Friday Mar 5, 2010

Prepare final essay or research paper.

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Step 5: Evaluate

- How did you do?
- How can you improve next time?

By Monday Mar 8, 2010

Complete evaluation of process and product.

Step 5 Teacher Information

- About this step
- How did your student do?
- How can your student improve next time?

By Monday Mar 8, 2010

Review the Evaluation Rubric with your students.