

## QPA COMMON RESEARCH TASK

### Learning Goals

In this task you will be working on:

- **CCSS Writing:** Write effective informative texts to examine and convey complex ideas for a variety of purposes and audiences.
- **CCSS Reading:** Analyze and critique a variety of increasingly complex print and non-print literary texts.
- **Additional Modes of Communication:** Visual Communication

### Student Directions

- Carefully read the student directions and rubrics. Ask your teacher if you have any questions.
- Work on this task independently. However, your teacher will build in checkpoints for peer and teacher feedback.
- Cite your sources using a standard citation method as directed by your teacher (e.g. MLA, APA) and include a work cited/reference page.

### Task

Write a research paper about a topic that we touched on this year that you would like to know more about. Refer to the list of possible topics or choose one of your own.

#### SUMMARY:

- **Topic:** Something that we touched on this year that you would like to know more about. Refer to the list of possible topics or choose one of your own.
- **Genre:** Informational writing: The goal of the research paper is to use evidence to educate the reader about the topic.
- **Evidence sources:** Cite at least five (5) sources for 10 grade using at least three (3) different types of the following works: books, magazine articles, online materials, expert interviews, visual and audio materials, functional documents, and public documents.
- **Audience:** The reader may have some knowledge about your topic, but it should be explained thoroughly. The tone and language should be academic.
- **Products and Rubrics:** The research paper should be between 3-5 pages (5-8 paragraphs).
- **Timeline:** Students will have 6 weeks to complete this task.