Quarter Project 1 Presentations

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As a part of your quarter project, you’ll **present** your topic to class in 4-5 minutes.

Your presentation should include a visual aid (Power Point or Prezi, for example) that includes the main elements of your research essay.

* An introduction to your research topic: Something that will help your audience connect to the topic
* Your thesis / main claim about Steinbeck’s writing / the time period (***WHAT***)
* One piece of rhetorically significant text (**2-4 lines is preferable)** from *Grapes* or one of your ancillary texts (**preferably from an intercalary chapter**, though this isn’t required) that you’ll analyze in front of class. **(*HOW***)
* A connection to the time period / theme that illustrates the importance of this focus **(*WHY***)

Again, you’ll achieve this in 4-5 minutes.

You’ll be assessed on the following:

* **Verbal Communication:** A successful presenter will speak (not read) his information to class in a reasonable volume, varying tone / inflection and pronouncing words clearly.
* **Nonverbal Communication:** A successful presenter will face class, not shift back and forth, make eye contact with all students (not just the teacher), and use his hands (gesticulate!) to point out relevant parts of the visual and to emphasize important points.
* **Visual Design / Layout**: The visual should not include everything the speaker says **verbatim**; instead, it should include sparse text (except for the slide on which the significant text is located) and outlines of what the speaker will say. Images also help to convey the message.
* **Accuracy of Materials**: The speaker should obviously present accurate, relevant information that captures the breadth and depth of his research. Analysis should be thorough.

**This presentation is worth a 50-point quarter project grade.**

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| A2: October 17 (7 spots); B2: October 16 (12 spots) | A2: October 21 (7 spots); B2: October 20 (12 spots) |
| Ballard - Hawkins  Fendinger, Herriott, Griffin, J.J., Marshall, Spuzz, Drew Scott, Menke, Fowler, Callahan, Johnson, Weber (?) | Peloquin-Wermes  Nick Wright, Mitch, Liam, Noah, Sanders, Connor, Diesslin, Olinger, Eric, John, Hank, Eddy |