

Wicked Websites

presented by Whitney Olson, NHD-CA

Welcome Form: <http://goo.gl/2EO4S5>

Google Folder for Session: <http://goo.gl/nJR35J>



Outcomes

What are the required elements for a website?

How can I create an AWESOME website?

What do I need to know to better understand theme and thesis?

Nuts and Bolts (rules, web tips and tricks)

Agenda

What is a website?

Theme and Thesis Statements

Website Analysis

Nuts and Bolts

Partner Work

- Choose a partner “A” and a partner “B.”
 - Partner “A” -- Tell partner “B” why you chose to create a website.
 - Partner “B” -- Tell partner “A” how websites are different from other categories.
 - Partner “A” -- Tell partner “B” how websites are like other categories
 - Partner “B” -- Share out with the group what you discussed.

Websites: Interactive

paper + exhibit
+ documentary
= WEBSITE

Websites on NHD Weebly

Must be built on the NHD Weebly platform

- www.nhd.weebly.com

URL will have a strand of 8 numbers

- www.12345678.nhd.weebly.com

Use a simple username and password

- Username: firstnamelastname
- Password: historyday

Home Features Rules Support About Us Contact Us

Get started here.

Creating your NHD entry is a cinch

Username

Password

Email

I am a

☐ I accept the [terms of service](#)

[Sign Up](#)

What can I do with Weebly?

- Create your National History Day website entry
- Easy drag and drop interface
- No technical or design skills required
- 70+ great looking designs, or create your own!

[Watch a demo video](#) (or [download it](#))

For Teachers: Weebly for Education

As a teacher, Weebly can help you create a classroom website, and provide an easy way for you to create and manage Weebly accounts for your students.

[Click here to learn more.](#)

NHD Example Sites:

[The History of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.](#)

[Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.](#)

Required Website Elements

Process Paper

Annotated Bibliography

Introduction (with Thesis Statement)

Background and Context

Connection to Theme

Historical Significance

1200 Maximum Student Composed Words

No embedded videos or links to outside the site

Thesis Statement and Connection to Theme

What's your topic
and how does it
connect with this
year's theme?



Tell a neighbor!

Leadership and Legacy in History



100 Leaders in History

<http://100leaders.org/what-makes-a-leader>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KyLI3McjFg8>

What Do You Think?

What's A Thesis Statement?



Why Does a Thesis Statement Matter?

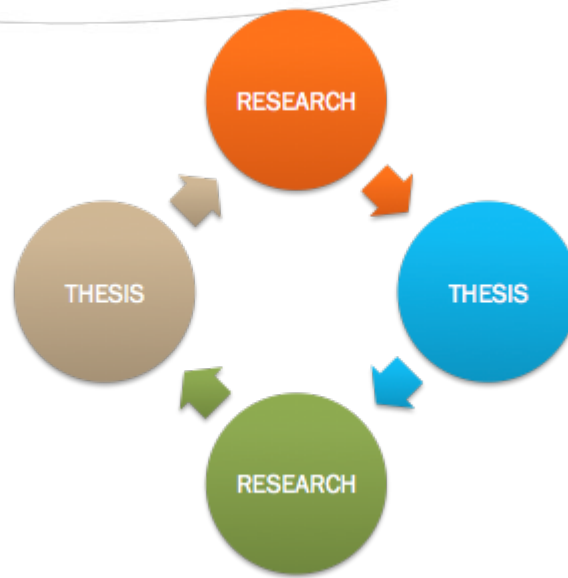


<http://goo.gl/forms/JA8rZqli8A>

Connect Your Thesis Statement to the Theme

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6_LF1Hp-61I

The Thesis Statement Cycle



Purpose of a Thesis Statement



A condensed version of your argument and analysis.



Organizes and fine-tunes your argument.



Provides you with direction and opportunities for revision.

Quality Features of a Thesis Statement

Connects the topic to the theme

Provocative or controversial

reasonable people could disagree

Expresses one main idea

Gives away the conclusion

Fits the constraints of the project

just the right amount of detail

Refining Your Thesis Statement

Craft a research question. Decide what question you are trying to answer.

Name your topic and include the theme.

Do some research and come up with an initial conclusion.

Take a position.

Increase your specificity.

Deconstructing an NHD Website

<http://20254115.nhd.weebly.com/>

CULTURE VS. HISTORY: THE BATTLE OF THE ENOLA GAY



Finding the Required Information

Using the links and storyboard, find examples of context, analysis, and significance in one of these websites.

- [The Voting Rights Act](#)
- [The Federal Highway Act](#)
- [From Pulpit to Protests](#)
- [The Camp David Accords](#)
- [The Dyer Bill](#)

You tell me . . .

- What makes a GREAT website?

<http://goo.gl/b3RDrC>

[Responses](#)



MIP

What will you take away from this session? Create a # (hashtag) for the website session.

<http://goo.gl/ZV09sU>

[Responses](#)

