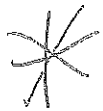


Instructions:

1. Find and select a biography or autobiography about someone you think might be heroic, and hopefully interesting. (Minimum of 125 pages long)
2. Complete the "Guided Research" assignment sheet for your selected hero. Be sure that your answers are both legible and free of spelling/grammatical errors.
3. Write a two page report, using the following subheadings:
 - a. An Introduction which introduces the heroic character (one paragraph)
 - b. The hero's goals (one paragraph)
 - c. Three character traits that led to his/her achievement (one paragraph for each trait)
 - d. The motivation for the main character (one paragraph)
 - e. How he/she inspires others (one paragraph)



Due: _____

4. Present your hero to the class: choose **one event** of the hero's life that you found inspiring. Introduce your hero (one minute) and share the event with the class, with an explanation of why you chose it. (3 minutes)

Due: _____

There will be no shortage of heroic figures for you to select from. However, for those of you who need it, here is a list of possible characters you could use. You are not limited to this list alone.

Lester Pearson	Roberta Bondar	Maya Angelou
Yao Ming	Wayne Gretzky	Margaret Atwood
Nelson Mandela	Joan of Arc	George W. Carver
Craig Kielburger	Martin Luther King Jr.	Harriet Tubman
Kofi Annan	Mohandas K. Gandhi	The Dalai Lama
David Suzuki	Terry Fox	Chief Poundmaker
Sam Steele	Billy Bishop	Oscar Peterson

Be sure to select a character based upon their merit, not the length of the book that describes them.

By the way, the individual on the right is Captain Canuck. He is Canada's first and most famous comic book super hero. He however, is fictional.



Guided Research Assignment



For you to be able to accurately explore the life of a hero, you will need to consult different sources of information. Use any combination of the following sites to answer the following questions. Be as specific as you can.
(If you need more space, write answers on another sheet)

www.biography.com www.biographi.ca/EN/ www.cbc.ca/greatest

1. My hero was born on _____ (date) in _____
_____ (place). (2 marks)

2. What kind of schooling did your hero receive? (I.e., did they go to school, home-schooled, self-taught, etc.) (2 marks)

3. List 4 adjectives that properly describe your hero's childhood or earliest recorded years? (.5 marks each)

4. Name three of your hero's important contributions to society. (3 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

5. Categorize your heroic individual into one of the following groups, based upon your research. (Circle the one that best fits; if there is more than one, be prepared to explain your answer) (2 marks)

POLITICS
LITERATURE
ENVIRONMENT
MILITARY

SOCIAL CHANGE
RELIGION
BUSINESS
ORDINARY HEROES

SPORTS
SCIENCE
ENTERTAINMENT

Explain why you selected this group _____

6. What is your hero currently doing? (If dead, when did they die? If alive, what are they up to?) (2 marks)

7. Provide evidence that your hero was either beloved or hated during their time. (Hint, you'll want to read several different sources to make sure you are accurate) (2 marks)

Student Name: _____

Hero's Name: _____

/15 marks total