PROCESS PAPER & ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY

All History Day students must submit a process paper and annotated bibliography, except papers which does not need a process paper.

Title Page

The title page includes the following information. Do not include any additional information or illustrations on the title page.

- Title of the entry
- Name(s) of the student(s) who developed the entry
- Age division and category of the entry
- Word count
 - Exhibit: Include the student-composed word count for the exhibit and the total word count in the process paper
 - o Documentary and Performance: Include the total word count in the process paper
 - o Paper: Include the total word count in the paper.
 - Website: Include this information on the homepage of your website. Include the student-composed word count for website and the total word count in the process paper

It is important to come up with a good <u>title</u> for your entry. A good title will quickly introduce your topic, but also adds wording that helps the viewer understand your point of view.

Process Paper

Students creating entries in all categories (except the paper category) must also write a process paper. It is important to do a good job on this part of the project because it is the first thing that people look at when evaluating History Day entries. The research paper category requires a title page and annotated bibliography, but does not include a process paper.

The process paper is not a summary of the topic, but an essay that describes the process of how the students developed the entry.

This paper is no longer than 500 words, usually 4-5 paragraphs addressing:

- How did you get the idea for this topic?
- Where did you go for your research? What types of sources (newspapers, documents, interviews, etc.) did you use?
- How did you put your presentation together? What skills did you learn?
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- How does your topic relate to the theme? Why is this topic important in history?

*Bring 5 copies of this paper with you on competition day!