

Create Your Own Utopia - Assignment Guidelines

Assignment is worth 80 points!

- Starting today, you will be working on creating your own UTOPIA. This project will need to be completed on Tuesday of next week. You will present these IN CLASS on the day they are due.
- Use your time wisely!!
- You will be expected to complete 2-3 tasks in class each day
- You will also be expected to do some work outside of class.

Format:

- Your final product must be done in the form of a BOOKLET.
- All sheets will be stapled together and serve as a guidebook for someone who may want to live in your Utopia.
- I want you to not only use the information you've learned about the idea of Utopia in class but to use your creativity in creating this "ideal" society.
- This assignment must be colorful – you have the necessary materials. You can also use cut outs from magazines and COLOR pictures printed from home as well.

Group Responsibilities:

- You may work with UP TO 2 other students. You may work alone on this as well if you choose.
- Make sure EVERYONE in the group has duties and tasks that they are assigned to complete each day. (whether that be writing, coloring, organizing)
- Before making a final decision about each task make sure that the WHOLE group agrees with the decision
- You are responsible for knowing the expectations and rubric for this project.
- If you have group mates absent for the day – YOU ARE STILL EXPECTED TO DO THE WORK AND HAVE THE ASSIGNMENT COMPLETED BY THE DUE DATE.
- You will not only receive a grade for the final product but you will also be graded on the amount of work done each day. I will be closely monitoring your progress throughout the week.

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Group Tasks: Your final product must include ALL of the following components:

1. Cover sheet – The cover sheet must include the name of your utopian society, a group-created logo or drawing, and all names of the group's members.
2. Name of your Utopian society – Choose a creative and appropriate name to represent your new society. Write a meaningful statement that tells why your group chose this name.
3. Declaration of Independence – Write a brief statement describing the reason why you formed your utopian society. In this statement you must answer the following questions – 1.) What don't you like about your current society? 2.) How has the current society broken your trust? 3.) Why do you feel the need to form a more perfect society? 4.) How will your society be different? 5.) Does your society have some of the same characteristics as your current society? Yes or No – If yes, then tell which ideas are the same.
4. Utopian Motto and Seal – Create a slogan or motto that citizens of your society will follow, and draw a utopian seal. Write a brief description that explains the meaning of the motto and seal that you chose.
5. Utopian Animal or Mascot – What animal would best symbolize your society? Explain your choice, and include a picture of the animal (you can either draw the animal or print a COLOR picture from the internet or clip art from home to include in your booklet)
6. List of Rules – Develop a list of 10 rules that all community members must follow. Provide an explanation for each rule.
7. Governing Body – How will the government of this Utopian be structured? Will you have a democracy, anarchy, a monarchy, a dictatorship, or will you have a mixed government (combines elements of all types of government)? How will your government make decisions? Please give an explanation for your choices.
8. Invitation to Friends – Write a letter to a friend or relative on why your society is the best place to live. The invitation must be no less than 7 sentences in length and must give reasons why you are inviting this person to move to your society.
9. Holidays and Celebrations – Create 5 or more unique holidays and celebrations that your society will have throughout the year. For each make sure you include a date and a reason why you chose these dates.
10. Advertisement – Develop a written advertisement or flyer for your community. This ad should be complete with pictures that are representative of life in your society.

Create Your Own Utopia - Assignment Rubric

	4	3	2	1	0
Requirements (listed below)	All requirements are met and exceeded.	All requirements are met.	One requirement was not completely met.	More than one requirement was not met	Requirement not completed.

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Total Points: