Solar System Report Criteria

Guidelines

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Cover Page

Include the following information on the cover page of your report:

Title (name of your topic)

Names (all group members’ first & last)

Grade (Fifth)

Teacher (Mrs. Musleh)

Date (Date report is due)

This information should be centered.  You may add pictures, drawings, phrases, or anything else to make your cover page more exciting.

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                  List topics and page numbers

                  Example:

                Planet Rotation ........................................................1

\_\_\_\_\_\_Introduction (1/2 page minimum)

                  -What topic have you been given?

                  -What you thought/knew about the solar system before the report?

                  -What will you be writing about and showing in your report.

\_\_\_\_\_ Map

                   A hand drawn solar system map that includes:

-The sun

-All 8 planets

-All dwarf planets (Pluto)

-Earth’s moon

-You may represent the following: Asteroids, comets, meteors

  -Label all celestial bodies

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Origin of Solar System  ( 2 paragraphs minimum)

                  Include the following topics:

                  -Formation-how was the solar system formed?

                  -How long ago was the Solar System formed?

-How many planets and stars are in our solar system?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Sun and Planets    (1-2 page minimum)

                  -One paragraph description of the sun and each planet

     -Include information such as: size, location, climate,

inner or outer planet, and atmosphere (rocky/gas).

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Revolution   (2 paragraphs minimum)

* How long is one revolution for each planet?
* How long is a day, year in each planet?
* Why do planets revolve around the sun?
* Where is the location of each planet in relevance to the sun?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Rotation  (1 paragraph)

                  -How does Earth rotate?

     -Include information such as: earth’s axis, time length of rotation, and moon

orbit.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Seasons    (1 page minimum)

* What causes seasons?
* Explain the northern hemisphere and southern hemisphere and the Earth’s direct rays.

\_\_\_\_\_Conclusion (2 paragraphs minimum)

                  -What did your group like most about the solar system?

Explain why.

                  -Tell about three things everyone should know and

remember about the solar system.

\_\_\_\_\_Bibliography

                  -Include a list of all sources used.  Refer to this packet for

format.

                  -List all resources used.

 Plagiarism

The following information came from \*[plagiarism.org](http://www.blogger.com/%20http:/www.plagiarism.org/learning_center/what_is_plagiarism.html)

Many people think of plagiarism as copying another's work, or borrowing someone else's original ideas. But terms like "copying" and "borrowing" can disguise the seriousness of the offense:

According to the Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary, to "plagiarize" means

1. to steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own

2. to use (another's production) without crediting the source

3. to commit literary theft

4. to present as new and original an idea or product derived from an existing source.

In other words, plagiarism is an act of fraud. It involves both stealing someone else's work and lying about it afterward.

But can words and ideas really be stolen?

According to U.S. law, the answer is yes. The expression of original ideas is considered intellectual property, and is protected by copyright laws, just like original inventions. Almost all forms of expression fall under copyright protection as long as they are recorded in some way (such as a book or a computer file).

All of the following are considered plagiarism:

\* turning in someone else's work as your own

\* copying words or ideas from someone else without giving credit

\* failing to put a quotation in quotation marks

\* giving incorrect information about the source of a quotation

\*   changing words but copying the sentence structure of a source without giving credit.

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Checklist

\_\_\_\_\_Report is either handwritten in pen single spaced or typed in

12-font New Times Roman double-spaced.

\_\_\_\_\_Complete Sentences are used

\_\_\_\_\_Spelling, grammar, and punctuation is correct

\_\_\_\_\_Paragraphs are indented

\_\_\_\_\_Maps and pictures must be hand-drawn and colored

\_\_\_\_\_Each category must be titled

\_\_\_\_\_Pages are numbered

\_\_\_\_\_Report Cover include all required information

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