**Research Checklist**

Have you….

* Searched the school library catalog for books
	+ Searched under your subject’s name(s)
	+ Searched the name of key associates of that person or people associated with the event
	+ Searched the name of key events with which your person was associated
* Searched the school’s electronic databases for articles and primary sources
	+ Searched under your subject’s name(s)
	+ Searched the name of key associates of that person or people associated with the event
	+ Searched the name of key events with which your person was associated

[Ask your school librarian to reference the best electronic database sources and review how to complete advanced searches with the students]

* Searched the Access PA database for more books

[Many states or larger school districts will allow for inter-library loans, making almost any book available to the student for free – just assume a 1-2 week lead time for the book to come in ]

* In the school library:
	+ Searched the shelves (history and biography sections)
	+ Searched the name of key associates of that person
	+ Searched the name of key events with which your person was associated
	+ Searched the National Geographic Index
	+ Searched the reference book shelves
	+ Searched the name of key events with which your person was associated

[School librarians often know their collections best – ask them what they would put in this section]

* In the classroom
	+ Searched the classroom library
	+ Searched the classroom DVD library
	+ Searched the primary source shelf and document books
	+ Searched the essay book shelves
	+ Searched the AP textbook shelf
	+ Searched the *Dictionary of American Biography*

[Again, this will vary based on your resources ]

* On the Internet:
* Search the course website for research resources in your time period.

[I began compiling a list of good sites that the kids or I found and adding to it each year.

Colleagus might be able to add to it to help get you started]

* + Google key words (you never know what you might find)
	+ Google key words (using site:edu)
	+ Google for primary sources (“Eleanor Roosevelt primary source”)
	+ Repeat process using other key words
	+ Searched the *OAH Magazine of History* site: <http://www.oah.org/pubs/magazine/>
	+ Search the *American Heritage* website: <http://www.americanheritage.com/>
	+ Search the *History Net* website: <http://www.historynet.com/>