FAMILY STUDIES 11 / 12

FAMILY AND CULTURE PROJECT

Your assignment is to work individually or in a group of 2 and create a report on a country of your choice. You will present your finished project to the class in the form of a poster, brochure, essay, power point presentation, or another method (check with the teacher before proceeding). You will have time in the library and computer lab to work on the project and you may bring additional materials from home to complete your assignment. Make sure that your project includes a formal reference sheet of the information sources you used. (use bibme.org). You will also need to make a handout for the class that compares your Canadian family experiences with the country that you studied. Bring any clothing, pictures or artifacts from that country to show to the class.

Information that could be included on the country:

Political
- Brief explanation of the location, geography and climate
- Technology availability and use
- Gross Domestic Product and a brief overview of the economic situation
  o Compared to Canada’s GDP of $52 300 in 2012
- Effects of war or disasters

Family
- Typical family makeup and trends: size, extended family
- Role distribution for chores, childcare, elderly care, etc
- Work situations i.e. how does the family support itself
- Treatment of the elderly

Social
- Schooling / Education situation
- Food and clothing patterns (include a typical day’s meals and dress)
- Lifestyle – daily activities, tasks, hobbies, leisure time
- General health situation – access to health care
- Housing (pictures or diagrams)
- Social rules – male/female and rich/poor

Customs
- Traditional holidays and celebrations throughout the year
- Marriage – age and type of ceremony
- Religion – daily religious rituals and main ceremonies of the main religions
- Death and grieving rituals and traditions
Name _______________________

- In a chart, compare your Canadian culture with the culture studied

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Marking Key:

Political aspects of the country   /5
Thorough Family Research   /30
Pictures, diagrams, and artifacts   /10
Differences chart   /10
Reference Sheet   /5
Neatness and Creativity   /15
In-class presentation   /15
Work Ethic   /10

TOTAL   /100
Country Choices

*one person or duo per country
*you must sign up

Malaysia
Japan
Ethiopia
Columbia
Norway
Italy
Ukraine
Pakistan
Thailand
Jamaica
Nigeria
Spain
Germany
Australia
Sweden
New Zealand

Russia
Greece
Mexico
Portugal
Iran
China
Bulgaria
Singapore
Ecuador
Morocco
South Africa
India
Brazil
Chile
Switzerland