

TOPICAL GEOGRAPHY RESEARCH PAPER "THE WHY OF WHERE"

LIBRARY DATES: September 12 and September 16, 2011

DUE DATE: September 26, 2011

YOUR TEACHER'S SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER IS: 841-1947

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Students will create a topical research question and write a well-researched ONE-PAGE geographic explanation
2. The topic must be TOPICAL not REGIONAL (within last 10 years).
3. Your paper must stress a RELATIONSHIP to PHYSICAL and/or CULTURAL GEOGRAPHY. It cannot be merely descriptive.
4. Your paper must be limited to ONE TYPED page. Points will be deducted if the paper is not typed. Computers are available in the classroom as well as in the library. *single or 1.5 spacing*
5. You must include at least three REFERENCES in addition to any encyclopedias that you use. You must have a least ONE print source.
You may not have exclusively Internet sources. List all sources in correct bibliographic form. Any standard form is acceptable. *MLA easybib.com*
6. Refer to the GRADING CRITERIA when writing your paper.

-based on something you want to research

-cultural!!!

-analysis, creative

-both physical and cultural

-sited not in print

date
author
title of article
Name of source

J. Jones.

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CHECKLIST

- _____ 1. TURNED IN RESEARCH QUESTION TO WARREN (
- _____ 2. TURNED IN THESIS STATEMENT TO WARREN (
- _____ 3. TURNED IN "WHY OF WHERE" TYPED PAPER (

GRADING CRITERIA: TOPICAL GEOGRAPHY RESEARCH PAPER

- _____ 1. HAS A TITLE THAT IS APPROPRIATE TO PAPER
- _____ 2. IS TOPICAL (RATHER THAN REGIONAL) AND CURRENT
(WITHIN THE LAST 10 YEARS)
- _____ 3. HAS A THESIS CLEARLY STATED IN 1ST OR 2ND PARAGRAPH
- _____ 4. STRESSES A RELATIONSHIP TO PHYSICAL AND/OR CULTURAL
GEOGRAPHY
- _____ 5. ONE TYPED PAGE (-10 IF NOT TYPED)
- 5 6. HAS A CONCLUSION THAT CONTAINS SOME IDEAS OF YOUR
OWN AND RELATES TO THE OPENING THESIS
- _____ 7. INCLUDES A BIBLIOGRAPHY ON A SEPARATE PAGE AT END OF
PAPER IN A STANDARD FORM
- _____ 8. MINIMUM OF THREE REFERENCE SOURCES. AT LEAST ONE
MUST BE A PRINT SOURCE (MAGAZINE, BOOK, NEWSPAPER)
OTHER THAN AN ENCYCLOPEDIA
- _____ 9. PAPER IS ON TIME UNLESS PARENT HAS CONTACTED TEACHER
REGARDING AN EMERGENCY. COMPUTER PROBLEMS ARE NOT
CONSIDERED AN EMERGENCY. TURN IN A HAND-WRITTEN
COPY.

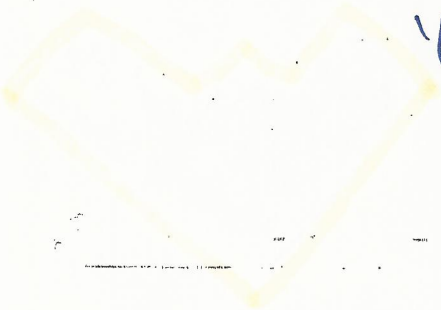
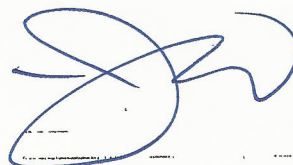
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GRADE ON PAPER

COMMENTS:

Creative & well-argued paper!
You've got the "geoglasses" on!

Keep it up!



Enclave Economics: Lesotho's Migrant Laborers in South Africa

Geo term! Nice!

In a kingdom completely landlocked by a single country, the working age people of Lesotho struggle to find their footing as they live in a place of poor economic standing.

THESIS

With job opportunities scarce, a large gap between South African and Lesotho wages, and a decreasing agricultural business, many of the Basotho people become migrant laborers in one of the South African work forces. The Lesotho people are in pursuit of a place where they can find economically prosperous jobs, and a way out of poverty; in South Africa they have found what they have been looking for.

Good job giving credit here

Jim Cobbe stated in his article titled "Lesotho: Will the Enclave Empty?" that, "Lesotho had the distinction of having a higher proportion of its labor force temporarily employed outside its borders than any other country." But why would Lesotho, independent from South Africa, be so dependent on its border country for employment? South Africa is a place filled with opportunities that are appealing to the Basotho, who live where there are little manufacturing jobs and hardships such as an extremely high population of HIV affected people. Unfortunately for Lesotho, there has been a fall in the number of mining jobs, an economic path common for the Basotho to enter, because of an increase of desire for the miners to be South African.

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Lesotho is a poor, agriculturally centered country that is bordered on all sides by South Africa; while South Africa is bordered by two oceans, and has many agricultural as well as manufactured products. The Basotho have a grand opportunity to escape the land of poverty and most of the people do not take that for granted.

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Is there a mutually intelligible language spoken by citizens of Lesotho + S. Africa?
Are the borders porous (easy to cross)?

Bibliography

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