

Preparing for Social Studies Presentations

You are going to need a **trifold board** to mount your presentation on. Trifold boards are available at Michaels, Hobby Lobby and other craft stores. Your board needs to be at school by **November 14th** as we will be putting our presentations together the week before Thanksgiving Break!

Artifact Project

You will also need to bring/make two **artifacts** that represent the culture you studied for our presentations on **November 29th**. Your projects are **due on the 28th** so that we can make sure they are here and ready before we present.

Possible Artifacts for Western Hemisphere Culture Project

- Question box: Choose ten or more questions that you feel confident you can answer about your culture. Write each question on a card or slip of paper or card and then put into a decorated box to be drawn out by people visiting the display. Decorate your box in a style that represents art or artifacts from your culture.
- Person Box: This may contain symbolic items that represent what a person living in your culture might value or own in their daily life .
- Quotations: Research what explorers thought or observed about your culture when they arrived in North or South America. Create a poster of quotes from diaries or letters they left behind.
- Timeline of important events and discoveries/innovations made by your culture over time
- Model: A simple version of something invented, discovered or developed, by your culture. Examples might include: a replica of a home, temple, piece of farm, hunting or fishing equipment, a plaza or place for trade
- Activities: These could include quizzes, word searches, or hands-on experiences for your viewers to do when they visit your display.
- Models of clothing, arts or crafts used by your culture
- Model/Examples of food, pottery or household items(real or models)
- Models of materials and resources that were valued by your culture or traded
- Models of objects that were used for religious or celebratory purposes
- A decorated poem or song inspired by your culture
- Giveaways: Something small that represents the culture in some way- (example: coins or items of trade, food, etc.)

- ❑ Your idea: Have an idea for something you'd like to create and display? Chat with your teacher and make your case!