**Historical/Biography Paragraph**

1 – Brainstorm

Choose a few topics about which you would like to learn.

2 – Research

Research one or two of your topics. Use English or French websites/sources when researching, but write your notes in French. Take note of the sources you get information from: copy and paste the address of a website; note the title and author of a book.

3 – Draft

Choose your favourite topic that you have researched and write a paragraph. Remember, when writing a draft you should write as much as possible without the use of a dictionary/internet translator. Use English/a different word if you don’t know a it at this point.

4 – Revise and Correct

**Tools – Dictionary, Bescherelle (both available at Wordreference.com), Google Translate**

Identify what you need to fix first, then fix it. Look for:

**Capital letters** – Start of each sentence and proper nouns

**Punctuation** – periods/commas

**Spelling mistakes** – If you are not 100% sure it’s correct, look it up

**English words** – Do not put whole sentences into a translator. If your whole sentence is in English, try writing it a different way in as much French as you are able. Look up individual words as much as possible.

**Subject verb agreement** – Use the passé composé and imparfait for a historical paragraph. Remember, the verb morphs to agree with its subject.

**Singulier/Pluriel**

**Masculin/Feminin**

5 – Final Draft

Rewrite your paragraph and if you would like to, you can submit it for correction through e-mail to your teacher. Please submit only your paragraph, not the whole project. It will be returned with corrections so that you can than make the published version.