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Introduction

You are aware of a variety of famous people. When you think of the concept of famous people, chances are, you might think of someone like Bradley Cooper, Neil deGrasse Tyson, Beyonce, or Taylor Swift. Famous people are everywhere. You may not be aware of famous people from Equatorial Guinea or Uruguay, but they do exist! Simply because you're not aware of their notoriety, doesn't mean they're not famous to others. Your task this month is to discover two famous people from your Spanish-speaking country. Don't fret, there are famous people everywhere!

Tasks

This month you will generate two, one-page typed reports, each paper describing a famous people from your country. You will break it down into two, separate, one-paged reports - one per person. They will be submitted together. And of course, there's a separate (but included), Works Cited Page of your references. Your bonus work must be submitted on a separate page from your report; the pictures of your famous people can be on the same page, or one page per person. Preparing this assignment, you will discover a number of possibilities that can be seen to designate someone as famous. You can reference "actions/occupations" of your country. You can search for a variety of possibly occupations/activities such as: writers of (your country); military personnel of (your country); painters/artists of (your country); scientists of (your country); inventors of (your country); athletes of (your country); musicians - singers, composers, of (your country) etc. You will need to choose famous people, each with different reasons for being famous. You can choose a writer and an athlete, a singer and a politician, etc. The choices are yours, just make certain that they are differently famous. Do not choose two athletes (even if the sport is different!), or two writers, two politicians, etc. If you're not certain, check with Sra. Guerra. There are a number of site links in the Process section of this Webquest. But do not limit yourself to those. You can search for: Famous (occupations) of (your country). As always, your paper must be formatted Times New Roman, 12 pt, double spaced. DUE DATE: Friday, December 20th! Reports are to be submitted through Google Classroom!

Process

In order to construct your paper(s), you must investigate to discover famous people from your country. The information you must include in your biography report are as follows:

1. Where was this person born? Make sure they were born in your country! If they were not, they will not qualify for this month's project. Too, indicate what part of the country their birth location is (southern coast, central plains, capital city, small northern village, etc.) If they were born in your country, but moved before they reached 16 years old, they will not qualify! Your best bet is to find someone who lived in your country most of their life.
2. When were they born? Be sure to include month, day, and year. If they were born in a specific historical period - especially one that might affect their life - such as The Golden Age of Spain, The Depression Era, The Industrial Age, etc., be sure and make note of that in your paper too.
3. Describe what it is that makes them famous. Detail the factors relating to that 'famous-ness'. Tell if/when/where they studied. If they were/are involved with the military and/or politics, describe how they got involved in that aspect of their life. Be sure to note as many "famous" factors as possible. Do not, however, use this as a means of simply filling up paper space. DO NOT give a lengthy list of awards, honors, records, etc. Yes, note some, but keep the list from overloading your paper! Points will be deducted if your report is mostly statistics, and not the other required information.
4. If this person is still alive, be sure and tell where they are currently living (does not have to still be in your country). You can give the city or area (San Francisco, The Sahara Desert, etc.) and the country. If your famous person is dead, be sure and note when and where they died. If possible, tell how they died - battle, murder, disease, etc. If they are buried in a special location, be sure and make note of that as well. The websites below are just starting points. Most of the sites have lists of people with their notoriety listed. After you choose your two people, then your task is to research them, finding out the above referenced material. You must remember to include your Works Cited page after your reports. For your possible bonus: Provide a picture, or drawing (if photography wasn't around when they were!) of your famous persons. Make certain that the photo is respectful - something you would easily show your family and/or Mr. West or Mrs. Ireland! Do not include the pictures on your report pages. They should be added on a page after your Works Cited page.

