

The BIG 6 Research Model

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Introduction

Have you ever spent hours on the internet and not find what you want? Have you ever sighed when your teacher gives you a research project? Well that's ALL OVER now. Today you're going to learn six easy steps to get you through a research project that will get you the "A" you deserve so much.

Tasks

For this class you will be doing three activities. 1) You are going to conduct a research of the steps in the Big 6 model. 2) You are going to apply the steps to a given research assignment. 3) You are going to Conduct a research using the Big 6 Model.

Process

Day 1 Click here to get the basic steps in the Big 6 Research Model. Make a list of each step along with the two sub steps of each. Read and discuss the different steps and write three questions on your concerns as to how the model works. Day 2 Share the questions written on day 1 and scroll down and watch movie # 1 to seek answers to the questions. Using the format from the video, prepare a research plan for the following Question; "What types of music are in the Jamaican Culture?" Your plan should include at least: Four keywords you'll use to search; Four sources you plan to collect the resources from; Two ways you plan to collect the information; One sentence telling how the information will be used; One sentence telling how you plan to put the information together; Three things you will look for when evaluating the final project. Day 3 Research information on Jamaican Music by clicking here. Retrieve the information you need. Go to the school library and extract the relevant information from the book entitled "Reggae: The Story of Jamaican Music" By Lloyd Bradley. Day 4 Collate the information on the different types of music in the Jamaican culture and organize in the form of a written three page project that tells the definition and features of each type of music listed. Your project may be typed or legibly hand-written. If you are going to type, it should be Times New Roman 12 and double spaced. Day 5 You will be given time to present your research paper in class. For your assignment, you are to scroll to the bottom of the page Print the 'Self Test' form and fill it in with the steps in the Big 6 Model

Evaluation

The Big 6 Research Model is a process that includes and warrants self evaluation as well as external evaluation. Use the rubric below to ensure that you have done what is required of you. You may also get your peers to review your project before you submit same

Category and Score	0 - Unsatisfactory	5 - Fair	10 - Good	15 - Very Good	Score
The Research Plan using the Big 6 Model	No work submitted	1. Four keywords you'll use to search 2. Four sources you plan to collect the resources from Two ways you plan to collect the information, 3. One sentence telling how the information will be used,	1. Four keywords you'll use to search 2. Four sources you plan to collect the resources from 3. Two ways you plan to collect the information, 4. One sentence telling how the information will be used, 5. One sentence telling how you plan to put the information together	1. Four keywords you'll use to search 2. Four sources you plan to collect the resources from 3. Two ways you plan to collect the information, 4. One sentence telling how the information will be used, 5. One sentence telling how you plan to put the information together 6. Three things you will look for when evaluating the final project.	15
The Content	No work Submitted	Definition and features of one to two of the following: -reggae -mento -ska -rock steady -dancehall -sound system -deejays	Definition and features of three to four of the following: -reggae -mento -ska -rock steady -dancehall -sound system -deejays	Definition and features of all of the following: -reggae -mento -ska -rock steady -dancehall -sound system -deejays	15
Sources of information used	No source used at all	Use one of the following sources: -books -newspaper/ -journal	Use of any two of the following: - internet -books -newspaper/ journals	Use of all of the following: -internet -books -newspaper/ journals	15
The written project	No work submitted	Written project is not presentable and not well organized.	Written project is understandable but needs to be more organized and presentable.	Written project is neat and presentable, understandable and neatly organized.	15
				Total Score	60

Conclusion

Now that we have come to the end of the lesson, I hope you have learned the basic steps of conducting a research. I ask that you reflect on the entire process one step at a time. I also suggest that you apply the model to your research projects as it through practice that it will become natural. For further information and or reminders you can click here

Teacher Page

The Big Six information skills model (Big6) is one that is primarily aimed at kindergarten through twelfth-grade students. This model is intended to foster the acquisition of research, problem-solving, and metacognitive skills through the cooperation of both school library media specialists and classroom teachers. If students do not master information skills the deficit will affect the child's ability to find and use information in their day-to-day lives and in the future. I decided to use the Big6 to try to improve my students' understanding of the research process.

Standards

Credits

Other