

**Year A Cycle 4 & 5**  
**Writing study guide**

Research Writing &  
Spring Independent Research Project

**Guiding questions:**

**What is Research?**

**What are the steps of Research writing?**

**What are reputable resources and where do you find them?**

**What is paraphrasing?**

**How and when do you cite?**

Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>:

Receive study guide and IRP schedule. \_\_\_\_\_

Receive lesson on research writing & steps. \_\_\_\_\_

Receive lesson on brainstorming topic. \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Brainstorm three IRP topics & decide due Fri., Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

**Generate 3 questions about topic & create mind map due Wed., Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>:

Receive lesson on reputable resources and guiding steps to research. \_\_\_\_\_

Receive lesson on research notecards and bibliography cards. \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: List of 5 sources due Wed., Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

**Prepare 60 research source cards due Fri., Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>: No class in New York City for MMUN

Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>: No class, Spring Break

Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>: Lesson on plagiarism. \_\_\_\_\_

Receive lesson on MLA formatting. \_\_\_\_\_

Check-in of research & bibliography cards. \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Prepare 60 research source cards due Fri., Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>: Receive lesson on outlines. \_\_\_\_\_

Receive lesson on thesis statements. \_\_\_\_\_

Final check-in of research & bibliography cards. \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Prepare 60 research source cards due Fri., Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

**Compile and outline with a thesis statement due Wed., Apr. 5<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>: Receive lesson on paraphrasing. \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Write rough draft due Thurs. Apr. 13<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>: Writers' workshop:

Complete self-evaluation checklist. \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Write rough draft due Thurs. Apr. 13<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

**Complete self-evaluation due Wed., Apr. 19<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>: Writers' workshop: Complete peer evaluations \_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment: Complete self and peer evaluations due Wed., Apr. 19<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

**Complete final draft due on Fri., Apr. 21<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>: Presenters' workshop: In-class work on presentations.

**Assignment:**

**Prepare presentation on Powerpoint or Prezi due Wed., Apr. 26<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**

Week of May 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Presenting to peers and faculty for practice. Compiling notecards and memorizing presentation

IRP Night is Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.