

## Why You Should Consider . . . (My Favorite Academic Field/Activity/Personal Commitment in four Slides)

### Power Point Presentation Requirements

Using Microsoft PowerPoint 2010, create a presentation with **4 slides** to explain a **concept** in your **area of major academic interest or personal social commitment**. This is a persuasive “marketing” presentation that will show other students why your chosen area is worthy of pursuit – and why they should consider it – think of it as a recruiting tool or an infomercial.

General areas within your chosen field could include such things as:

- A specific scientific process
- A small but decisive historical event
- “Snapshot” biography of a world political leader or cultural hero
- A favorite work of literature or art
- Current ecological issues
- A song, book or poem that changed society (positively or negatively)

Don't overwhelm your audience with generalities. BE SPECIFIC. For example, if your area of interest is Organic Chemistry, you might do a brief four-slide presentation on one small but fascinating aspect of the discovery of DNA'

Your presentation should include:

- **Title slide**
    - Title slide should have an appropriate title with the name of the presentation – you may include other required elements (such as a screen capture) on this slide along with your name, computer number and class time
    - **graphics**, including an image downloaded from the Website and inserted into the presentation, (if website has no images, you may download an image from another site.)
    - **a screen capture** one of the Websites that you use in your presentation
    - one or more **slide transitions** (wipe, fade, etc.)
    - an **animated effect** ( words that fly or fade in and out, etc.)
    - an appropriate **animated gif** image that you make yourself especially for your PPT **OR ...**
    - **a video clip of yourself giving a brief sound bite for your subject.**
    - a **hyperlink** to a Website you used in your research
    - A **bibliography** in MLA style hyperlinked to the sources you used – this should be on the final slide but that slide can contain other information.
- Baron, Susan. "Herbs of Romania." Romania Discovered. May 22, 2007. RTB. 18 Mar 2009 <<http://www.rumania.com>>.
- **Excellence of design**, quality of graphics and specificity of topic - very important part of your grade
  - Presentation should take about two to three minutes - OK if it runs over or under a bit. (30 sec) – you may set time or time it manually

Your presentation should be:

- named **usernamepresentation** (jbelislepresentation.pptx, for example)
- inside the folder **19presentusername** in your computer skills groups folder.
- **And . . .all associated files - sound, video etc. - should be inside this same folder)**

**Be prepared to make your three minute presentation to the class – print out any notes in advance!!**