

*Trying to Make Sense of Slavery: a PowerPoint project  
Project Overview and Research Guide*

*What:* In groups of three, you will create a Power Point presentation around a topic in slavery.

Your research will include:

- a timeline of events relating to your topic
- ten informative facts about your topic
- a brief explanation of one important person
- one interesting story
- one thing that really surprises you
- images

*Why:* This will give you an opportunity to get deeper into the world of slavery and learn more about a specific issue or area that interests you.

*When:* Day 1: Introduction to Project and research

Day 2: Continuing Research

Day 3: A Modeling of PowerPoint; Creating a Story Board (Sketching a plan for the Power Point)

Day 4: Creating the PowerPoint (don't worry if you don't know how yet!)

Day 5: Sharing your Presentation with the class

*How:* You and your group will use the Internet to search for CREDIBLE, FACTUAL sites about slavery. You should begin with the sites recommended below, and supplement with sites you find by searching on Google utilizing effective Internet search terms. (You may also use some of the books recommended below for your research.) From all of these sources, you will take notes and record facts. Your goal will be to complete the list above by the beginning of class on Day 3.

Websites to use:

**Please note: Your PowerPoint must include a Bibliography indicating which websites you used.**

[www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/USAslavery.htm](http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/USAslavery.htm)

[www.liu.edu/cwis/cwp/library/aaslavry.htm](http://www.liu.edu/cwis/cwp/library/aaslavry.htm)

[www.learner.org/amerpass/unit07/context\\_activ.html](http://www.learner.org/amerpass/unit07/context_activ.html) (especially for cultural aspects and interracial relationships)

[www.pbs.org/wgbh/aia/home.html](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/aia/home.html) (PBS Africans in America website)

[www.pbs.org/wnet/slavery/](http://www.pbs.org/wnet/slavery/) (A NEW PBS website on slavery)

[www.hfmgv.org/education/smartfun/hermitage/open.html](http://www.hfmgv.org/education/smartfun/hermitage/open.html) (a journey to one particular plantation)

[www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/statutes/slavery/slmenu.htm](http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/statutes/slavery/slmenu.htm) (especially for Laws)

IMAGES: [www.photography-museum.com/faceof.html](http://www.photography-museum.com/faceof.html)

IMAGES: [http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/082\\_slave.html](http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/082_slave.html)

*Books to Use:*

Runaways: Frederick Douglass, Harriet Jacobs, Harriet Tubman, William Wells Brown, Slavery in America book: chapter on runaways: pg. 139, Breaking the Chains book, pgs. 83-100

Revolts: Rebels Against Slavery book, A Documentary History of Slavery in North America book: chapter on Revolts, pg. 99, Breaking the Chains book, pg. 100-124

Other Resistance: A Documentary History of Slavery in North America book: chapter on resistance, pg. 249, Breaking the Chains book, pgs. 19-82

Life in the North: Our Nig book, Roll, Jordan, Roll book pgs. 398-412, Gotham, certain pgs

Laws: A Documentary History of Slavery in North America book: chapter on "Slave and the Law," pg. 175

Interracial Relations: A Documentary History of Slavery in North America book: chapter on "Men, Women and Children", pg. 395, Roll, Jordan, Roll book pgs. 413-430

Family Life: Slavery in America book: chapter on Life: pg. 81, Before Freedom Came book

Culture: Slavery in America book: chapter on Life: pg. 81, A Documentary History of Slavery in North America book: chapter on "After Hours", pg. 457, Before Freedom Came book

Work: Slavery in America book: chapter on work: pg. 113, A Documentary History of Slavery in North America book: chapter on slave's work, pg. 289, Roll, Jordan, Roll book pgs. 285-308, 327-397

## Internet Research Note Taking Guide

Name:

Topic:

Title of Website I am Using:

URL of Website I am Using:

I am trying to find \_\_\_\_\_ for my group.

Quotes from this page I would like to use in our PowerPoint:

Notes, in my own words, that are important from this webpage:

Questions I have/ Things that don't make sense to me:  
(try asking members of your group these questions first)

EXIT TICKET

First Day of Making Sense of Slavery PowerPoint Project

What are two important things that you learned in your research today?

What is a new question that you have about your topic?

What problems are you having in conducting the research?

## Creating a Power Point Slide Show

### Creating Slides

A Power Point Slide Show is a series of slides. You add slides one at a time. To add a new slide, go to the "Insert" menu and select "New Slide." It will add a new slide after the one that you are working on.

You will be given a choice of layouts. Select one that looks like what you want. (Note: you will be able to rearrange or change the sizes of the boxes if you want.)

### Adding Text

Click on one of the boxes on the slide. You can type text into this box. You can change the text (font, size, color, etc.) by highlighting the text, clicking on the right mouse button, and selecting "Font." A window will appear with your editing options.

### Adding Images

In order to add images, you must have images!! There are two ways to get images:

1. Find images on the Internet.

A good way to find images is to go to [www.google.com](http://www.google.com), and search for "slavery (or whatever you are looking for) images." Google now has an "Images" area where you can search just for images.

Once you find pictures or images that you would like to use, click on the picture, right click on the mouse, and select "Save as . . . ." You will then need to tell the computer where to save the image (in your directory) and give the images a name that you will remember (most will automatically have a number for a name).

2. Scan in a picture or image that you would like to use.

To scan, you must logon to the teacher station. Under Programs, select "HP ScanJet Software" and select "HP Precision Scan Pro." Once you are in this program, place your picture face down on the glass (in the upper right hand corner).

Select "Preview" from the "File" menu. Once you see the image on the screen, use the black dotted line box to outline the portion of the image you want to scan. (Note: You do not want to scan the entire glass area of the scanner, so you must elect the amount of the picture that you want scanned.)

You are ready to scan! Select "Save As . . ." on the "File" menu. It will ask you where to save the image. Save it in your directory, with a name that you can remember.

Now that you have your images, you can add them to your PowerPoint slide show. In PowerPoint, on the slide where you want to add the picture, go to the

“Insert” menu, select “Picture,” select “From File,” locate the file (remember you can put it in your directory) and click “Insert.” It should add the image, and then you can resize it to the shape and size that you need.

### *Adding Background colors, etc.*

If you wish to add a background color, click on the slide outside any of the boxes. Right click on your mouse, select “Background,” and you can select options for the background of your slide. “Apply” adds the color just to this slide; “Apply to all” will add the background color or image to every slide in your slide show.

### *Saving!!!*

Like any other time that you work on a computer, make sure to save your slide show frequently while you are working on it. Especially if you importing large picture files, PowerPoint may freeze, and you don’t want to lose anything! Make sure that you are saving the slide show in your directory.

### *Editing Slides, Viewing Options*

The screen usually shows you one slide at a time. However, you can see all the slides that you have create at once by going to the “View” menu and selecting “Slide Sorter.” In this “View,” you can rearrange the order of slides (by selecting and moving them with the mouse), delete slides that you don’t want, etc. You can also double-click on individual slides that you want to edit.

When you are ready to preview or watch your slide show, select “Slide Show” on the “View” menu. Use the mouse to advance slides.

### *Adding Animation: “Oos and Aahs,” Bells and Whistles, Moving Text*

Select either an image or text on a slide that you want to animate (move). Make a right mouse click and select “Custom Animation.” Using the Timing and Effects Tabs, add animations to your page. You can add movement and sound to texts or images using this option. (In other words, do you want the text to fly in? to have a bell sound? Etc.) You can also specify where you want the animation controlled with a mouse click, or have it automatically timed (on the Timing tab.)

PowerPoint Presentations about Slavery  
Notesheet

You will need to use information that you learn from people's presentations for your essay next week. Please use this sheet to take notes as people present.

Which essay question will you answer?: *(circle it here)*

Option 1: Why was slavery dehumanizing?

Option 2: How did enslaved people maintain their dignity and spirit given the brutal conditions of slavery?

Take notes about this while you listen and watch the presentations.

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Slavery Research Projects: Group Evaluation

*Name* \_\_\_\_\_

My role in the group was \_\_\_\_\_

What part of your group's project and presentation are you most proud of?

What are all the ways that you helped your group complete the research and PowerPoint presentation?

What are all the ways that you helped your group work effectively and cooperatively?

On a scale of 1 (worst) to 10 (best), I would give my performance on this group project a \_\_\_\_\_ because:

On a scale of 1 (did not contribute at all) to 10 (contributed a tremendous amount), I would rate my group members like this:

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