Land of My Ancestors

A lesson researching the homeland of one set of your ancestors

Where did your family originally come from? Where might you be living if your family had not immigrated to the United States? In this lesson you will be collecting information, organizing the information and creating a presentation about the homeland of one set of your ancestors. You will use the information to share what things would be like for you if you were living in that country today.

Travel to the Homeland!
Using the Map app, you will “travel” to the homeland of the ancestors you are researching.

1. Click on the Search button and type in the name of the country. If you know the city of origin, enter that as well.

2. To get a satellite view, tap the rolled up corner located in the bottom left area of the Map and tap Satellite.
3. Pinch out to zoom in for a closer view.
4. Drag the map around to view different areas.
5. Press you finger on an area to drop a new pin and get information about what you are seeing.

6. Take a screenshot of the area you are viewing by pressing the Sleep/Wake button and Home button at the same time.
   a. The screen will briefly flash, you may hear a “camera click,” and the picture will be sent to the Photos app.
7. **Optional:** If the person icon on the Name banner associated with a pin on the map is red, then street view is available.
   a. Tap the person icon to enter street view to look around from a different perspective.
   b. Look for buildings that might have been there when your ancestors were still living there.
   c. Tap on the street arrows to travel around.
   d. Take a screenshot of street view.
8. Click on the **Photo app** to find and review your picture(s).
   a. Retake pictures as needed.

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**Research the Homeland**

You will be using two different apps to research your ancestors’ homeland and one app to organize the information that you find. You will be using the information you find to assist you in the creation of your presentation on the location. You need to find information about the following four topics for the homeland you are researching: **Geography, People, Government and Fun Facts.**

1. Open the **Wikipedia** app and search for the same location you used when you did your traveling.
   a. Skim the information and begin taking notes.
   b. Use the **Notes** app to record your notes.
      i. Create a new note by tapping the + in the top, right corner of the screen.
      ii. The first line of your note will be the name of your note. Enter the location you are researching on the first line and then press return.
      iii. Enter the rest of the information you will be using.

2. For any page where you found usable information, collect the information you will need for the citation in your **Bibliography**.
   a. To do this, tap the gear located at the top of the screen near the search field.
   b. Tap Open in Safari.
c. When the External link warning pops up, tap Safari.

d. When Safari opens, copy the URL, return to Notes and paste the URL under your notes.

3. Open the Safari app and in the Search field, type in the same location you used when you did your traveling. *Ex: England or London, England*
   a. Browse the search results and take notes on any useful information you find.
      i. Remember to put the names of the sites and the URLs into your Notes as you need these for your citations in your Bibliography!
   b. Find more information by visiting the following websites:
      i. Factmonster: [http://www.factmonster.com/countries.html](http://www.factmonster.com/countries.html)
      iii. Remember to put the names of the sites and the URLs into your Notes as you need these for your citations in your Bibliography!

**Save More Pictures**
You will use the Safari app and the website Wikimedia Commons to find more images to use in your presentation.

1. Still using Safari, use Google search to find Wikimedia - a great source of copyright free photos.

2. Click on the link for Wikimedia Commons and search for your location in the search field near the top right corner.

3. Browse the images. When you find an image you would like to use, tap the image to go to full size view.

4. Press your finger on the image until you see Save/Copy. Tap on Save.
   a. The image will be sent to the Photos app.
   b. *Note: The images may not always appear as the newest images in your Photos. Be sure to look throughout your Photos to locate them.*
5. In the Notes app, create a new note named “Your Location” Images. (Ex: London Images)
   a. For each photo you save note the following:
      i. Name of photo
      ii. Location
      iii. Photographer’s name
      iv. Year taken
      v. URL where found (copy from Safari and paste into Notes)
   b. This information will help you name the photo/location correctly in your presentation and it will also be used when you create your Bibliography.

Draft a Script for Your Presentation
You will be using the information you collected during your research to write a script for your presentation. Remember, you will be presenting the information from the point-of-view of what your life would be like if you had been born in your ancestors’ homeland.
   1. Create a new note in Notes and title it Presentation Script
   2. Write at least one paragraph for each of the four main topics: Geography, People, Government, and Fun Facts.
   3. As you develop your script, look back at your photos and see if you have photos that will go well with the information you are sharing.
      a. If you need additional photos, go back to Maps and/or Wikimedia to collect them.

Prepare “Slides” for Your Presentation
You will be using the apps Doodle Buddy and Photos to prepare the slides for your presentation. Opening a Photo that you will be using in your presentation in Doodle Buddy will allow you to annotate it. You can also use Doodle Buddy to create text screens for your presentation.

You will start with creating a text screen.
   1. Open the Doodle Buddy app.
   2. In the toolbar located in the middle bottom area of the screen, tap on the chalk to make a color selection.
   3. Tap on Tt to get a text box on the screen.

   4. Start entering your text.
      a. Use the shaded triangle at the bottom right to make the text box larger. This will automatically resize the text.
      b. Use the rectangle located on the top or bottom of the text box to move the text around.
c. Note: Each text box is limited to the number of characters it will hold. Add additional text boxes if needed.
d. Tap anywhere outside the text box to paste the text on the screen. Once you paste the text on the screen, you cannot longer edit it. You can still use the undo button to delete it.

5. To save your new slide, tap on the wrench in the lower right area of the screen.
6. Select Save to Photo Album.
7. Create additional text slides as needed.

Next you will use Doodle Buddy to annotate a photo for your presentation.
1. Using the toolbar in the bottom, middle area of the screen, tap on the Tic-tac-toe icon to select a background.

2. Tap on the option to select from Photos.

3. When the photo popup opens, tap the photo location where you put your project photos (most likely Camera Roll).

4. Drag your finger to locate the photo you want to use. Tap on it when you see it.
5. In the toolbox, tap on **Tt** to get a text box on the screen and enter your text.

6. Tap on the wrench in the lower right corner and select **Save to Photo Album**.

7. Annotate additional photos as needed for your presentation.

**Create the Bibliography**

You will be creating a Bibliography of your sources for the information and images that you used in your presentation. You will be using the Safari app and the EasyBib website to format your citations. You will put the citations on a final slide for your presentation.

1. Open the Safari app and go to: [http://easybib.com](http://easybib.com)
2. Click on the tab for website.
3. Create a citation for each website you used to collect your information by pasting in the URL and tapping **Cite this**.
4. Your citations will be collected in the Bibliography section of the page.

5. Create a citation for each photo you copied from Wikimedia Commons.
   a. Begin by tapping on **All 59 options** and then tapping on **Photograph**.
6. Refer to the photo information in Notes and fill in as much information about the source of the photo as you can.

7. Click Create Citation.

8. When you have finished creating the citations, click on Copy & paste.

9. Your citations will open in a new tab.

10. Press and hold your finger on the citation text to select it.

11. Tap Copy.

12. Open the Notes app and create a new note titled Bibliography.
   a. Press and hold your finger on the screen until you see Paste.
   b. Tap Paste to place your citations in the note.

13. Take a screenshot of your Bibliography Note.

Organize Your Presentation “Slides”
You will be creating an Album in the Photos app to organize your “slides” and finalize your presentation.

1. Tap on the Photo app to open it.
2. Tap on the tab for Albums located in the top, middle of the screen.
   a. Note: If you are looking at just one image, you will need to go back to thumbnail view to see the tab for Albums.
3. Tap on Edit located in the top, left area of the screen.
4. Tap **New Album**.

5. Name the Album and tap **Save**.

6. The **Add photos** screen will appear. Tap on each photo you want to add to the Album. A checkmark will appear on selected photos. Tap **Done** when you are finished.

7. Tap on your Album to open it. If you want to rearrange the photos, delete photos or add more photos, tap on the right-pointing arrow in the top, right corner of the screen.
   a. **Note**: To rearrange photos, press & hold your finger on a photo until it enlarges slightly and appears “stuck” to your finger. Drag the photo to the new location and release it.
   b. **If you do something to edit the Album, the Cancel button will change to Done**.
   c. Tap **Done** when you are finished editing the Album.

**Give Your Presentation**

Be sure to practice your presentation several times before it is your turn to present. During your presentation, your iPad will be connected to the large-screen display. Don’t let this rattle you! It just makes it easier for everyone to see your “slides.”

1. Tap the first picture in your presentation Album.
   a. Deliver the oral information for that “slide.”
2. Drag your finger from right to left on the screen to advance to the next “slide.”