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**Newsletter Project: United States of America**

| Areas Assessed | Exceeds Standards | Meets Standards | Progressing Toward Standards | Limited Progress  |
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| **Research**  | Signed expectations, on-task Work during class. Completed evidence of research form. Stays after school, put in extra effort.  | Signed expectations, on-task work during class. Completed evidence of Research Form | Signed expectations, somewhat on task during class. Evidence of research is somewhat completed.  | Expectations may or may not be signed, mostly off task during class. Evidence of research never completed.  |
| **Work Cited** | Work cited is included and is in proper format with no mistakes. Met requirements for amount of resources needed. | Work cited is included and is in proper format with 1-3 mistakes. Met requirements for amount of resources needed. | Work cited is included but may or may not be in proper format. It has more than 3 mistakes, and may or may not meet requirements for amount of resources needed | Work cited is missing or not in an acceptable format. |
| **Organization****/Design** | Newsletter is extremely organized with many pictures and text on each page. All required areas are included. Book is well designed with good use of colors, texts, fonts. There are NO “open spots” | Newsletter is organized with pictures and text on each page. All required areas are included. Book is well designed with good use of colors, texts, fonts. There is limited “open” spots | Newsletter is somewhat organized with limited pictures and text on each page. Most requirements are included, but some are missing. Book is not well designed with limited use of colors, texts, fonts. There are ample “open” spots.  | Newsletter lacks organization, images and text. Many requirements are missing.  |
| **Information Used/** **Writing**  | Exceeded requirements with information used for each section. Used your own words and wrote very interesting and informative paragraphs in your newsletter. Each story exceeds the 2-3 paragraph requirements.  | Met requirements with information used for each section. Used your own words and wrote interesting and informative paragraphs in your newsletter. Each story meets the 2-3 paragraph requirements.  | Missing information or required stories. Used your own words and paragraphs are somewhat interesting in your newsletter. Stories do need meet 2-3 paragraph requirement  | Missing information or required stories. Information is NOT in your own words. Paragraphs are copied from websites, or books.  |

**Comments:**