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A Long Walk to Water: Culminating Project

A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park is a story of survival, a universal narrative that crosses distance and culture to show the importance of hope and endurance during the toughest of times. Your task for this culminating project is to show your understanding of the themes of the novel, while incorporating your own independent research on a subject related to the text. You must choose ONE prompt and complete as instructed. Each prompt has a research element, which requires a page of sources. You must also refer to and/or connect to the novel in some way. This information can be pulled from the novel itself and/or your Anchor Charts. In total, the informational portion of your project should equal at least three paragraphs.

Project Prompts:

1. Create an information pamphlet or poster on Water for Sudan, Salva Dut's charity.
2. Write a letter to your local congressman, explaining why we should send resources to South Sudan.
3. Create your own map of Salva's route with information about specific things that happen in various places. (*Note: You may use the map in the book as a guide, but you cannot copy it entirely!*)
4. Write a survival guide based on Salva's experiences on his journey.
5. Write an expository essay about the theme of water in the novel.
6. Create a PowerPoint slideshow about the Lost Boys of Sudan.
7. Create an informational pamphlet or poster on cholera, the disease that Nya's sister suffers from in the book.
8. Research the refugee camps in Ethiopia and Kenya OR current refugee camps around the world today, in countries like Syria or Jordan. Write an expository essay about your research and findings *or* create an informational poster.
9. Create a children's book or comic based on Salva's story and/or Nya's story. Include information about the Sudanese Civil War, the struggle for water, and/or cholera.
10. Write a fictional story based on a real refugee crisis. Your story must include factual information about the chosen refugee crisis, including accurate geography and situations.

I am choosing Prompt #_____

(Note: If you have another idea that is not on the list, please come to see us!)

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You will be graded on:

- Information and Research (35 points)
- References and/or Connections to *A Long Walk to Water* (20 points)
- Conventions: Spelling and Grammar (10 points)
- Aesthetics: Neatness and Readability (10 points)
- Effort (15 points)
- Source Page (10 points)

Possible research sites on the web:

Water for Sudan (website currently hard to navigate!):

<http://www.waterforsouthsudan.org/>

The Water Project's page on Sudan

<https://thewaterproject.org/water-in-crisis-sudan>

UNICEF's page on South Sudan:

http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/southsudan_61320.html

UNICEF's page on refugee situations:

http://www.unicef.org/emergencies/index_85510.html

United Nations in South Sudan:

<http://ss.one.un.org/index.html>

BBC's profile on South Sudan:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-14069082>

UNHCR- United Nations High Commissioner on Refugees

<http://www.un.org/en/globalissues/briefingpapers/refugees/aboutUNHCR.html>

Chatham House's page on refugee situations:

<https://www.chathamhouse.org/research/refugee-crisis#>

Mrs. Perkowski's Very Extensive List of Research Databases:

<https://sites.google.com/a/pjschools.org/pjmslibrary/home/databases>