Modern History Assessment – Historical Investigation 2015

ASSESSMENT TASK: Historical Investigation
Weighting: 20%
Due Date: 12/06/2015
OUTCOMES to be assessed: P1.1, 2.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.5, 4.2

CRITERIA for Assessment:
You will be assessed on your ability to:
• Locate, select and organise relevant information from a variety of sources.
• Communicate knowledge and understanding of historical features and issues in an oral presentation.

TASK
You can choose a topic in consultation with your teacher on any area of Modern History that does not overlap or duplicate significantly any topic attempted in the HSC Modern History or History Extension courses.
The final submission will be in three parts:
1. Presentation: Students are allowed to choose whatever medium they would like to present their Historical Investigation. This can include: PowerPoint, Website, Video, Mind Mapping Tools, Prezi, etc. However, you are not allowed to read large slabs of information, or put large slabs of information in your presentation and read from that. You must know your information. This will be enforced by an interview at the end of the presentation that will force you to think on your feet about the topic you have studied. The presentation should not exceed 8 minutes.
2. Source Analysis: As part of your presentation (probably at the end) you will need to include a summary of 3 of the sources that you used. You will need to explain the strengths and weaknesses of the 3 sources, considering its perspective, reliability and usefulness to the historian.
3. Bibliography: You must include a full bibliography of all material used within the assessment.

INSTRUCTIONS:
• You must plan and conduct your research in the allocated time, both in class and at home.
• You must develop an inquiry question by the end of term 1 Week 9, which your teacher will endorse.
• You must submit on the day the assessment is due: 1. A written copy of your speech, 2. A written copy of what you will say about source analysis and 3. A full bibliography of the material used.
• You may submit via Canvas prior to 8:45am on the day the assessment is due.