

Using NoodleTools.Com and Our Research Databases!

NoodleTools

I.) TO SET UP A NEW USERNAME/PASSWORD

1. Go to www.noodletools.com
2. Click on the yellow button that says: "Current Users: Sign In"
3. **Register or Sign In Page:** Click on the button that says: "Create a Personal ID"
4. **New User Registration Page:** Select the first option that says, "An account linked to a school/library subscription or trial." Then, click continue.
5. In the appropriate boxes, type:
School/Library Username: Cohassetlib12
School/Library Password: Cohassetlib12
Then, click REGISTER.
6. Fill in the registration boxes. Choose a personal ID (ID and password) which you will use to access your online notes and resources. *Remember to put your username/password in your phone or agenda so you don't forget them! After the whole form is complete,, click REGISTER.

II.) TO ACCESS SCREENCAST TUTORIALS

1. Once logged in, click on the HELP link.
2. Click the link that says: "Screencast Tutorials"
3. Then, click the next link that says: "Tutorials"
4. Watch the following screencast tutorials by clicking on the links:
 1. Citing sources
Watch: *How do I switch between citation forms?*
Watch: *How do I copy and paste a pre-formatted citation?*
 2. Notecards and Outlining
Watch: *How do I create and use notecards in NoodleTools?*
Watch: *How do I create a notecard for my citation?*
 3. Collaboration (Student to Student)
Watch: *How do I set up a collaboration with my teammates?*

Databases

1. Visit Cohasset Middle School's homepage: www.cohassetk12.org → select a school → Middle School
2. Click on "Our School," then click "Library-Media Services"
3. Click "Research Databases"
4. Click on various links to databases for guaranteed credible sources (journal articles and online encyclopedia) *Note: some resources in databases are only available while on school grounds.

*Need extra help on navigating the databases? Check out Mrs. Cerruti's database tutorial by clicking "Tools and Tutorials" then "Tour of Research Databases."

Research Project Task List

Names: _____

Topic: _____

Phase 1: Topic Selection

1. _____ Select partner and decide on a topic that interests you both.
2. _____ Narrow focus of research by pinpointing exactly what it is that you want to learn about.
(Example: Instead of researching Deserts, you would want to narrow your research focus to only look at a certain desert, or desert wildlife, etc.)
3. _____ Topic approval by teacher
4. _____ Create specific inquiry questions to guide research.
5. _____ Learn about academic vocabulary words: **sources, citation, plagiarism/plagiarising**

Phase 2: Gathering Sources and Information - Research

1. _____ Create NoodleTools account and watch NoodleTools tutorials
2. _____ Explore Library website and become familiar with online database resources.
3. _____ Use the Internet, database and online encyclopedia to research information that answer your inquiry questions.
4. _____ While researching, use NoodleTools to keep track of your credible sources (for bibliography), and create notecards (online) to keep notes organized.

Note: You know you are DONE with your research when you...

- Have used at least ONE of each source to gather information (Website, Online Database and Online Encyclopedia).
- Have answered ALL of your research questions.
- Have enough information to thoroughly present your topic through an iMovie.

Phase 3: Present Information

1. _____ Using the storyboard, write script using researched information.
2. _____ Brainstorm images that match information presented in script.
3. _____ Time yourself reading script. Determine how long your movie will be. (No more than 2 minutes 30 seconds).
4. _____ Determine theme of iMovie (music)
5. _____ Use Google images to match script. Add to iMovie on iPad. *Keep track of sources of images in NoodleTools!
6. _____ Voiceovers
7. _____ Adding Graphics, subtitles and transitions.
8. _____ Create bibliography slide and insert at end of iMovie.
9. _____ Edit/Polish
10. _____ Upload to Youtube channel

