**Middle Eastern Country Research Project**

As part of our study of the Fertile Crescent, you will be partnering with another student to research a modern-day country that is in the Fertile Crescent and present a Google Slides presentation on the country to the class. Each presentation must have the following components:

* **Slide 1:** Title Slide
* **Slide 2:** Map and Fact Sheet, including capital city, official language(s), population, major religion, and average years of schooling
* **Slide 3:** What is the geography of the country and how does this affect life in the country? (Where is it? What is the terrain like? What natural resources are found there?)
* **Slide 4:** What kind of government does it have and what does that mean? Who is the current leader?
* **Slide 5:** What is the major religion? How does the religion influence life in the country and any current issues the country is facing?
* **Slide 6:** Choose 1 topic to research and tell us more about. This could be any number of things, like cultural dishes (food), the role and treatment of women, sports, the role of the military, art and/or architecture of the region, important historical/cultural sites, economy, etc.
* **Slide 7:** Sources used, including Author Name (if listed), Article Name, Book or Website name, and URL (website address).

**Countries to Choose from:**

Turkey

Iraq

Iran

Syria

Lebanon

Jordan

Israel/West Bank

Egypt

Kuwait

Saudi Arabia

Pakistan

**You will need to demonstrate success with these skills:**

* I can conduct short research projects to answer questions using multiple sources.
* I can determine whether a source is credible and can give a basic bibliography.
* I can use technology to publish writing.
* I can use appropriate eye contact, volume, and pronunciation when speaking.
* I can make inferences about the continuing effects of physical geography on cultural development.
* Analyze how religious ideas influence current issues.
* Compare ancient forms of government to existing systems of governance in today's world.