Biome Project Rubric, Instructions and Research Questions

Poster Directions:

1. Choose either a terrestrial biome (grasslands, deciduous forest, tundra, taiga, desert, rainforest) OR an aquatic biome (pond/lake, river/stream, wetland, ocean, coral reef, estuary).
2. Create a poster depicting our chosen biome.
3. The size of your poster is not important as long as you can include plants (minimum of 4), animals (minimum of 3), land, and other elements that will increase your understanding of your chosen biome.
4. Your poster must include texture and 3D elements such as sandpaper for sand or cotton balls for clouds.
5. There should be NO TEXT on your poster besides the biome name at the top.
6. **DO NOT PRINT OFF TEXT FROM THE INTERNET AND GLUE IT ON YOUR POSTER.**
7. When you present your poster to the class, it is your responsibility to know what you are talking about. You may use notecards but you should also be an expert on your chosen biome.

Research Directions:

1. Use magazine articles, computers, resources at home and links provided by your teacher to thoroughly research your biome.
2. Again, you should be an expert on your biome.
3. **ANSWER THE QUESTIONS IN COMPLETE SENTENCES AND IN YOUR OWN WORDS. (Please remember that plagiarism, or copying another person’s words down and claiming them as your own is illegal.)**

************************************************** IMPORTANT **************************************************

1. **DO NOT** start the project the night before it is due (Friday, January 17th) because you will not have adequate time to construct the poster and answer the questions properly, that will be reflected in your grade.
2. **DO NOT** turn your project in late.
3. Make sure that your written responses to the questions are neatly written because **you will be required** to turn the questions in with your project.
4. **AGAIN, MAKE SURE THAT YOU DO THE PROJECT YOURSELF. YOU ARE OLD ENOUGH TO TACKLE THIS ONE ON YOUR OWN!**
5. See me if you have any questions.

Parent Signature:  ___________________________________________________
Use the rubric below to assist you with making sure that you have met all of the requirements for your project.

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