

## National History Day Required Process Paper

You *must* write a process paper.

A process paper is a description of *absolutely no more than 500 words* explaining how you conducted your research and created and developed your entry. You must conclude your description with an explanation of the relationship of your topic to the contest theme.

A title page is required as the first page of written material in every category. Your title page must include only the title of your entry, your name(if you are working with one or more partners, then you need the names of everyone in the group), and the contest division and category in which you are entered. Do not include your age, grade or school name.

### Parts of the Process Paper

**First section** should explain how you chose your topic.

**Second section** should explain how you conducted your research.

**Third section** should explain how you selected your presentation category and created your project.

**Fourth section** should explain how your project relates to the NHD theme.

You can look at sample process papers:

<http://www.nationalhistoryday.org/images/uploads/ProcessPaper1.pdf>

<http://www.nationalhistoryday.org/images/uploads/ProcessPaper2.pdf>

<http://www.nationalhistoryday.org/images/uploads/ProcessPaper3.pdf>