World History Newscast Assignment Form

1. Read the document Intro to Podcast on D2L, first. Then. . .

2. Fill in the following form, typed. Use complete sentences. For items marked with a *, please write at least three sentences.

Your podcast will be a news report of three minutes about a historical subject. With only three minutes, you can't cover big subjects, like a battle or even the biography of a person. The shoelaces used by soldiers in a battle or the shaving technique a general's mistress are just about narrow enough. What small, manageable subject, that you can find sources for, would you like to write on?:

As a journalist you need good sources. A textbook is too general. Go to our library, to JSTOR, to EBSCO HOST. Find good secondary sources from credible scholars. Look at what primary sources they use and then steal their primary sources. To earn a C, you need a minimum of four sources (two primary, two secondary). Give the full citation, with author, title, date, place of publication. If I can't find your source easily, you haven't given me the full citation. General websites are not permitted (no .com or .net). Books are better than the web, in general. Four sources minimum (two primary, two secondary):

*What do you find interesting about this subject?

*What problems are you going to face in writing about this subject and how might you solve those problems? For example, are their source issues, is the subject obscure and hard to relate to, are you invested in the history of the subject?

*Ask three friends what they might find interesting about this subject. Write their answers below.