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Creating a Nonfiction iMovie with Voiceovers
Topic: California or American History

You will select one California (4th Grade) or American (5th Grade) History topic for which you will create an informational iMovie and create your own voiceover with background music. You will be responsible for researching your specific topic in California or American History, downloading or finding all necessary media, designing the entire movie from beginning to end, and writing and narrating the movie's script. In your writing, you will need make an argument (thesis) and support it with evidence from primary documents, secondary documents, tertiary documents, as well as from oral interviews with experts and individuals important to your topic. You will need to document ALL sources, including information/photos/videos/interviews/etc.

Which topic in California or American History do you choose? Why did you choose this topic?

What do you already know about this topic?

How does this topic relate to "Rights and Responsibilities?"

What argument would you like to make regarding this topic?

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What would be the most important subtopics regarding this history topic to support your argument?

For each subtopic, what type of pictures/videos would you like to find?

For some subtopics, what types of charts or graphs would you like to find or create?

For some topics, what type of special nonfiction text features do you want to include, e.g. fun facts, find out more, did you know, links to more information, etc?

What type of music would you like to have playing in the background? Why did you choose this type of music? How does it relate to your chosen topic?

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What kind of tone would you recommend for the voiceover? Why is this tone best for your iMovie?

What else?