1. This year’s History Day theme is “Conflict & Compromise”

2. My broad topic choice is ______________________________________________________
   I am interested in this topic because ____________________________________________
   This topic relates to the theme because ________________________________________

3. I have narrowed my broad topic by focusing more specifically on _______________________
   ____________________________________________________________________________

4. I am confident that I will be able to find the sources I need because ______________________
   ____________________________________________________________________________

5. Through my research I’m trying to answer questions in three areas:

   **Background/Context** - What was happening in history just before and at the time of the person/idea/event/issue I’m researching? What events led up to my topic? What factors contributed to the development of my topic?
   **Impact/Influence/Change** – So what? How did my topic alter history? What changes did my topic bring about? How did my topic affect individuals, communities, nations, or the world? Can I explain the significance of my topic over time?

   Of the three areas, the one about which I have the most information at this time is ______________
   because __________________________________________________________________________

   Of the three areas, the one about which I am the most uncertain is ______________________
   because __________________________________________________________________________

6. What I like best about my topic choice is __________________________________________

7. My biggest concern about my topic choice is _________________________________________