

**ACTIVE CULTURAL EXPERIENCE RESEARCH WRITING**  
**ACTION + CONNECTION + REFLECTION**

Each project requires 1 page, MLA style only, writing essay. I will be looking for the evidence of the following in each of your essays: Your writing is worth 50% of your grade for each project.

**ACTION:**

Describe what you did. Where did you go and when? Who participated? How much time did you spend on the project or how did you organize your time? What channels was your project on? What time of day? What day of the week? What was your experience as you listened to the Spanish? What were the words you understood or the conversations you heard? Give as much detail as possible. Provide irrefutable evidence that will lend credibility to your projects.

**CONNECTION:**

Why did you choose this project? How does it relate to your cultural experience and the countries you researched? To which specific culture does your project relate to? What were your sources and how credible were they? What research helped you understand about the people and language of that country? What were the origins of your project? Who were the inventors? Where does your project come from? Why was the person you researched important? What were the contributions of the people you studied or places you are visiting? How was the country influenced by the food, actors, athletes, or places you are researching?

**REFLECTION:**

What specifically did you learn? How involved was your family? Were you enlightened or inspired by your research? What were the challenges you faced as you worked on your project? Would you have managed your time differently? Do you wish you would have spent more time researching your country? How were you impacted by what you learned? How were you inspired? Would you recommend this project to others? (add more comments about your experiences with this project) **Think and reflect. This is the most important part of these projects. Every project must have a reflection.**