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Requirements

AP Online Scores- Thursday, April 9th and Sunday, April 19th 53/80 & 61/80

Study Guide Strategy- I chose the renaissance topic not randomly, but with quite a bit of strategy. Most people just chose whatever topic they thought they knew the most about and what would be the easiest. I chose the renaissance because it was one of the earliest units we did, and I remembered it the least. I figured that if I chose the unit I knew the best, I wouldn't learn much and would leave my fate in the other members of my group teaching me about things I did not remember. When I chose the renaissance, I was forcing myself to study by looking over various study tools and choosing what to put on my website. With people teaching me, I had the choice to blow it off and not listen, but there was no way not to learn something by creating the study guide and putting it together on the website. I found that I learned the best through videos, so I ended up putting up a lot of those that had helped me get a better understanding of the more complicated and in-depth topics. I found that all of the power points I discovered on my topic were very lengthy and dull, so I decided not to use as many of those, knowing that the members of my group probably would blow them off after seeing the length. I was nervous when I started this project that I wouldn't be able to find reliable sources for all of the things I used and that there would be far too many, but I found about 3 good sources that I thought were reliable and I was able to find almost all of my material there because of the great variety on the websites. Overall, this website seemed daunting at first, but I found that with the right strategy, it really wasn't that hard at all.

Reflection- This project was very helpful for studying for the AP exam. Being able to be in a group and study together really helped me to focus and remember things from first semester that I had forgotten. Although it was a little inconvenient with people's different schedules, with various members of our group going on vacations, having different work schedules, and being involved in different sports, getting together and discussing things we did not understand helped greatly with breaking down complicated topics and actually absorbing information. I could see how if people actually put a good effort into this project and did their part for the group, how AP exam scores could improve greatly. The biggest problem I had with this project was the website. I can see the benefits of doing all of the project digitally, and not having to waste a bunch of paper in printing different graphic organizers, power points, and tests, but Weebly was very hard to work with most of the time. Probably about 30% of the time I was working on the website, was time spent being frustrated and having to work around the many obstacles that it presented. The biggest issue with the website is that there was a limit on the size of documents and power points that you could upload to the website. I wasn't able to upload a majority of the power points I found that I thought would be very helpful because they were too long and exceeded the data limit. A lot of the time the website wouldn't even let me upload simple word documents when I was at school, so I would have to go home and upload it separately. I think that if you used a different website to do this project it would be a really great project. I enjoyed this project because it felt very low-stress. It was a very manageable work load and I was able to understand it easily and get it done quite

quickly. I think that this is a valuable project for AP euro and that you should assign it in future years.