**Study Guide and Strategy**

I set up my study guide in a way that I thought would not only be successful for me, but my group as well. I used many different methods to try and remember all of the different things we learned throughout the year, and I quickly learned that these things helped my group members as well. I found that making flashcards really helped me, because I had to write down the information and was able to flip back and forth as I pleased until I had the all of the cards memorized. Most of my flash cards were over the ‘big idea’ of a certain period, or over a certain time period (also called a Hubdate). I think this was one of the most beneficial things I did to prepare for the AP test. Many of my fellow group members also made flash cards, and we were able to compare and share the information we had on our flash cards throughout our meetings. Practice tests were also a big help because I was able to take everything my flashcards had just taught me and use it in a question format, which is what I will be seeing on the AP test.

A majority of my time and effort went towards studying the Industrial Revolution. This was the section I was assigned for my website, and I really hope there is a FRQ over it! I really had to understand all of the Industrial Revolution, because when the people in my group had questions about the Industrial Revolution, I was the person they went to. I also had to teach them about this time period, and you can’t teach someone something that you know nothing about! I watched a ton of videos, which I really think helped with the understanding of Industrial Revolution. I started with really general videos (like the ones you would watch in seventh grade) and gradually got to the more detailed videos (like the videos we watch in class). This was helpful because I was able to get a solid understanding of one thing, then go deeper into it. This will hopefully help me for the essay portion of the AP test. I also did many practice test. To name a couple, I did some quizzes from Pojer, AP Achiever, College Cengage, and Quia. I know that I will have to continue reviewing notes from last semester, reviewing my flashcards, and taking various different practice tests so I don’t forget everything on the day of the AP exam.

When it came to teaching my group, I thought about how I could effectively include all of the various elements that I have located in my dropdown menu. The ultimate goal was when we all walked out of the door we knew the Industrial Revolution like the back of our hand. In order to accomplish this, I came up with a couple of creative ways to keep them interested (because the industrial revolution can get pretty boring, considering it’s mostly about factories and farms). I started off by going over the essential questions, so no one forgot the main ideas as I was going over the charts and basically lecturing them about new inventions. After that we watched a couple short videos so everyone could put a picture with name and hopefully it all just clicked (I know it did for me). Once we watched three or four short videos, we took the practice tests. This was so I knew what I needed to focus on when I was teaching my group, and what I could just skim over. Another reason I did everything in this order was so we could save some time, because we always had to meet late at night on a week day or in the afternoon on a Saturday, and someone always had somewhere to be right after our meeting. After the practice tests, I realized that everyone had a pretty good grasp on what happened during the Industrial Revolution, but they were missing some important details. In order to teach them these crucial details, I presented some of the PowerPoints and graphic organizers. I ended our meeting by retaking the practice tests, and there was clearly some improvement! There were some questions asked, and I was able to answer most of them, but we did have to google one or two. I left our meeting feeling confident in my knowledge of the Industrial Revolution, and I think my group members all felt the same way.