**How to start writing your Report!**

**Once you have collected your research use the information below to help you organize all the different pieces together in a way that makes sense!**

Start with an introduction paragraph and include your thesis statement (main idea). This will give the reader a “taste” of what the rest of the report will be about. You want to be fairly broad in your writing an introduction, just offering enough to “tease” your reader and get them interested and want them to continue to read!

Organization and Structure are important! It will be easier if you follow the structure I’ve outlined!

**Geography/History** – describe the time and place that you picked for your City-State/Civilization! Topics include: Climate and weather, precipitation, land use, natural resources, water source, explain why you chose this location and how it will help you as a civilization, what other civilizations exist near you around the time period you selected and how will you get along with them?

**Jobs** – describe the different types of jobs that will be available in your City-State/Civilization. Topics include: list any/all types of jobs/professions, division of labor (men, women, and children), how your location influences what jobs you can have, some different inventions/technology that are available that will help your civilization.

**Agriculture** – You have to have enough food for your people!!! Topics include: what crops you will grow, what animals you will raise, how does geography influence your agriculture?

**Government/Culture** – You have to run your civilization! Topics include: what type of government will you have, how will society be structured (classes of people), how will you protect your people, what rules/laws will you have, how will you make sure rules and laws are followed, will you tax people, will the government have a lot of power over people or a little, what about money or currency, what about religion in your civilization, and what are the biggest problems your civilization might struggle with?

**Conclusion** – Wrap up and tie your writing all together. The conclusion should leave the reader wanting more or hoping for a sequel! I always felt that the end is where you basically take your introduction and say it differently…

**Citation/Bibliography**/**Works Cited** – be sure to cite the sources you used!!! Give credit where credit is due, or you are plagiarizing.

**\*\*\*Remember be creative but realistic!!!\*\*\***

**\*\*\* You can include other information besides what I recommend, it is your civilization be creative and think outside the box!\*\*\***