

Due Monday April 15th

Choosing Your Wax Museum Subject

For the Wax Museum, you need to choose a famous American to research. Your subject needs to have made significant contributions to American history.

You will need to read books and articles on your subject. You will need to watch TV shows and listen to interviews about your subject. If you cannot find a lot of resources with information about your subject you probably shouldn't choose that person as a subject.

I have attached a list with subjects that you can choose from. If you choose someone that isn't on the list you will need to prove that you have found significant resources to use for your project. I do have the right to refuse your choice of historical figure.

Directions:

Please write a paragraph telling me who you would like to represent at the Wax Museum. I recommend writing about your top three choices in order. If more than one person asks to be the same historical figure, your essay will help me decide who gets to be that person.

Request Format

- Write a paragraph with the following sentences for each subject you would like to be
 - Main Idea Statement (Who you want to be)
 - Reason 1 (1st reason you want to be that person)
 - Reason 2 (2nd reason you want to be that person)
 - Reason 3 (3rd reason you want to be that person)
 - Restate Main Idea Statement (Who you want to be)

IF you are unable to come up with 3 reasons, write as many as you can.

Example: (You would need to do this type of paragraph for each subject you would like to be.)

I would really like to be Davy Crockett. When I was 7, I watched the Davy Crockett movie and thought he was really cool. He died fighting for what he thought was right. My mom also bought me a biography about him that I haven't read yet and this would give me a great reason to finally read it. In addition, Davy Crockett is famous for wearing a coon skin hat and I already have one so I could wear it at the Wax Museum. Finally, I really want to learn more about him. I want to know what he did before he died at the Alamo. Please let me represent Davy Crockett.

1. Eli Whitney
 - a. Inventor
 - b. 1765-1825
2. Wright Brothers
 - a. Inventors
 - b. 1871 – 1948 or 1867 -1912
3. Noah Webster
 - a. Publisher
 - b. 1758-1843
4. Booker T. Washington
 - a. Educator
 - b. 1856 - 1915
5. George Washington
 - a. President
 - b. 1732 - 1799
6. Mary Edwards Walker
 - a. Medical Pioneer
 - b. 1832 - 1919
7. Maggie Lena Walker
 - a. Business
 - b. 1867-1934
8. Harriet Tubman
 - a. Abolitionist
 - b. 1820 -1913
9. Henry Truman
 - a. President
 - b. 1884 - 1972
10. Sojourner Truth
 - a. Abolitionist
 - b. 1797 -1883
11. Harriet Beecher Stowe
 - a. Abolitionist and author
 - b. 1811 - 1896
12. Elizabeth Cady Stanton
 - a. Suffragist
 - b. 1815-1902
13. William Tecumseh Sherman
 - a. General
 - b. 1820 -1891
14. Jonas Salk
 - a. Polio vaccine
 - b. 1914 - 1995
15. Theodore Roosevelt
 - a. President
 - b. 1858 - 1919
16. Franklin D. Roosevelt
 - a. President
 - b. 1882 - 1945
17. Eleanor Roosevelt
 - a. First Lady and Activist
 - b. 1884 - 1962
18. John Rockefeller
 - a. Business
 - b. 1839 - 1937
19. Jackie Robinson
 - a. Baseball
 - b. 1919-1972
20. Paul Revere
 - a. Revolutionary War
21. Walter Reed
 - a. Yellow Fever
 - b. 1851-1902
22. William Penn
 - a. Colonies
 - b. 1644 - 1718
23. Rosa Parks
 - a. Civil Rights
 - b. 1913- 2005
24. Thomas Paine
 - a. Revolutionary War
 - b. 1737-1809
25. Julius Robert Oppenheimer
 - a. Inventor
 - b. 1904 - 1967
26. John Muir
 - a. Environmentalist
 - b. 1838 - 1914
27. Samuel Morse
 - a. Inventor
 - b. 1791 - 1872
28. James Monroe
 - a. President
 - b. 1758-1831

29. Margaret Mead
 - a. Anthropologist
 - b. 1901 - 1975
30. Cyrus McCormick
 - a. Inventor
 - b. 1809-1884
31. Thurgood Marshal
 - a. Lawyer/Judge
 - b. 1908 -1993
32. George Marshall
 - a. Marshall Plan
 - b. 1880-1959
33. James Madison
 - a. President
 - b. 1751 - 1836
34. Dolley Madison
 - a. First Lady
 - b. 1768 - 1849
35. Charles Lindbergh
 - a. Pilot
 - b. 1902 - 1974
36. Abe Lincoln
 - a. President
 - b. 1809 - 1865
37. Lewis and Clark
 - a. Explorers
 - b. Lewis: 1774 – 1809, Clark 1770 - 1838
38. Martin Luther King
 - a. Civil Rights
 - b. 1929-1968
39. John F. Kennedy
 - a. President
 - b. 1917-1963
40. Helen Keller
 - a. Activist
 - b. 1880 -1968
41. Thomas Jefferson
 - a. President
 - b. 1743-1826
42. Andrew Jackson
 - a. President
 - b. 1767-1845
43. Anne Hutchinson
 - a. Colonial
 - b. 1593 - 1641
44. Elias Howe
 - a. Inventor
 - b. 1819-1867
45. Matthew Henson
 - a. Explorer
 - b. 1866-1955
46. Ruth Handler
 - a. Business
 - b. 1916-2002
47. U.S. Grant
 - a. General and President
 - b. 1822-1865
48. John Glenn
 - a. Space Exploration
 - b. 1921 -
49. Benjamin Franklin
 - a. Politician and Inventor
 - b. 1706 - 1790
50. Henry Ford
 - a. Inventor
 - b. 1863 - 1947
51. Dwight Eisenhower
 - a. General
 - b. 1890 - 1969
52. Thomas Edison
 - a. Inventor
 - b. 1847 - 1931
53. Amelia Earhart
 - a. Pilot
 - b. 1897 - 1939
54. W.E.B. Du Bois
 - a. Civil Rights
 - b. 1868 -1963
55. Frederick Douglass
 - a. Abolitionist
 - b. 1817 - 1895

56. Dorothy Dix
a. Civil Rights – mental ill
b. 1802 - 1887

57. Walt Disney
a. Entertainer
b. 1901 - 1966

58. John Deere
a. Inventor
b. 1804 - 186

59. John Chapman
a. Frontiersman
b. 1774 - 1845

60. Cesar Chavez
a. Activist
b. 1927 - 1993

61. George Washington Carver
a. Inventor
b. 1864 - 1943

62. Rachel Carson
a. Environmentalist
b. 1907 - 1964

63. Andrew Carnegie
a. Business
b. 1835 - 1919

64. Daniel Boone
a. Explorer
b. 1734 - 1820

65. Elizabeth Blackwell
a. First Female Doctor
b. 1831 – 1910

66. Alexander Graham Bell
a. Inventor
b. 1847 - 1922

67. Florence Bascom
a. Geologist
b. 1862 -1945

68. Clara Barton
a. American Red Cross
b. 1821-1922

69. Susan B. Anthony
a. Suffragist
b. 1820 - 1906

70. Jane Addams
a. Reformer
b. 1860 - 1935

You can also choose any President of the United States from 1-37 (Washington to Nixon)