ENG 210-27

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# Research Paper Presentations

The format of these is generally up to you, but be prepared to present 5–7 minutes on your final term paper, including but not limited to:

* why you chose the topic
* the thesis statement/research question
* an outline of the sections
* discussion of the sources you are using, and perhaps your research strategy

You might also include description of a particular source or case study and why it was useful for your paper, and mention of any statistics of interest and so on. Handouts are not required but can be helpful to talk from, as are PowerPoint presentations, Google slides or websites, video, and so on. You may use note cards, but the main goal is to show that you are comfortable with the material in your paper and its general conclusions and that you have a plan for your talk.

In that regard, be sure to

* speak naturally but don’t use slang
* vary your speech; don’t fall into a pattern
* speak to the back of the room; don’t mumble or speak too softly
* make occasional eye contact; don’t look at the floor (or at the instructor)
* speak confidently; don’t use interjections such as “like,” “um,” “you know”

This report counts 5 % toward your final grade. Your day to present will be the same groups as listed on Canvas: Tuesday Baranoski through Han; Thursday Jones through Watson.

Please be attentive. Your colleagues deserve your attention and your interest. Please try to come up with some questions to ask of the presenters when they are done. If no one else asks questions, I most likely will.