

Your Historical Research Paper: Famous Europeans

EQ: *How can someone be their own best friend and their own worst enemy?*

The process for writing an historical research paper is similar to writing one in English, but the key is to be concise, analytical, and well-supported. Although voice is important in any piece that you write, in a history paper it is not as important as a strong thesis with supporting details. For the big research paper, you will be writing about the Essential Question: *How can someone be their own best friend and their own worst enemy?* This will require you to write about the person's life and choices, and then relate them to how they demonstrated that they were either their own best friend (their choices were awesomely helpful), their own worst enemy (their choices made their lives much more difficult), or both. The paper will be 4-7 pages long, double-spaced, in MLA format, and will count in two competency areas, and for two SELs.

Timeline

March 16	17	18	19	20 In-Class Research Day (Bibliography)
23	24	25 10 Research Cards Due	26	27 10 <u>More</u> Research Cards Due
30	31	1 Thesis Due (In class essay writing)	2	3 Outlines Due (In class essay writing)
6	7 In-Class Writing Activity	8 In-Class Writing Activity	9	10 Printed Rough Drafts Due (Peer Edit Session)
13 Late Arrival?	14	15 Late Arrival?	16	17 Final Drafts Due
20 Late Arrival?	21	22 Late Arrival?	23	24