

What would be the consequences if our country had it so we had one congressional seats per approximately 320,000 people, and how can I present that in a Presentation?

That was the question I wrote on the defining phase document. Early in the semester I never thought I could finish anything. While I ended up cutting a lot of things, Procrastinated a lot, cried and stressed. I managed to finish something that answered this question; so I feel accomplished with this semester.

As someone with a bajillion interests it would always be difficult to decide on what I would do for a project. In fact I went through over multiple different ideas before I decided on what the project would end up being. Most of the original ideas dealt with Coding and game design. I loved worldbuilding so I was suggested to make a game around a fantasy country I had made, so I spent almost a month on ideas relating to coding until I decided that I couldn't really do a coding project. And, after a tiny bit on a idea relating to polling. I decided on the final project, Increasing the number of congressional seats then creating new maps before comparing said new maps to the real, current maps.

Now after that the defining and planning phase went Mostly normal; yes there were a few hiccups and bumps that resulted in late turn ins. But I knew what I was doing and I was going to finish it. However, I found a major roadblock almost immediately; Redistricter was blocked on the school devices, I already knew this. But I assumed I could bring my dad's laptop every day to work on it. Turns out no. I couldn't, so I had to work out a way to get around the block. Which ended up being: having Mr. Meyer or another teacher log onto another laptop whenever I needed to work at school.

Anyway using this method I managed to make map after map, most maps were completed on time, but there were two maps that caused me several problems. Texas and Florida, the two largest states I was including. With Texas I finished it and went to Florida, but when I looked back on the Texas map I found that I gave it too many democratic seats. So I started it over, but when with my do-over map I found I still gave it too many blue seats I decided to cut Texas from the final presentation. And when I found Florida was unfinished I decided to cut it too.

Finally I had all of my maps down, but since I couldn't access redistricting on my school laptop I had to bring it to my school laptop. I struggled with Lag, a bit of stress, and more, until the last monday of the school year where I got Mr. Meyer to email me the maps. But once I had the maps emailed, with the template of the presentation complete, I was able to finish it the following day.