SESSIONS 6 & 7 SOUTHEAST HIGH

Beginning Research for Proposal

Reminder: Proposal -- Officially assigned March 21-22.

Due: April 4-5

**Overview of Assignment:** (Three things)

1. General Description (“Business Paragraph”)
2. Proposed outline of essay
3. Annotated bibliography (10 Sources) Including:

For each source a summary of contents,

and value to your essay.

**What to do?** Start where you have left off.

1. Firm up your topic choice. (Wikipedia, Google, etc.)
2. Work on your “Business Paragraph”
3. Fill out your Note Card (We’ll call it your “*Business Card”)*

**Front:** (Top) Name, odd/even, period, Subject Area

Topic

Statement of purpose

**Back of card:**

Research question

Thesis statement

1. **Conference with me.** Bring your “business card”
2. **Research—**To begin your annotated bibliography

Reminder: As this is going to be the basis of your actual bibliography for your essay, it is important that you begin to assemble a list of more academic sources as opposed to Wikipedia and basic Google resources.

Exception: Language Arts, which will probably have only around two or three sources mainly built around the primary texts themselves. But for the purpose of this activity, we will accept Spark Notes and the like to flesh out your proposal.

What to do? Go to page 24 in your Guide.

Choose a database.

For example, “Info Trac” “Web Luis” or “Florida Electronic Library”-- Literature Resource Center, History Resource Center…

or something like them.

Look up your subject area

Get a list of possible topics/ or find your chosen topic

Get a list of appropriate sources

Begin looking at sources and taking notes on contents/value.

NOTE: This is not a social time…. Nor is it a time for irrelevant searching. Stay on task. Every moment counts.