

# CULTURE APPRECIATION WEEBLY BUILDING PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

## The Project Assignment

The goal of this assignment is to find an appreciation for Afghanistan's culture and display your findings in a way that will help others to see the beauty of this country and its people. While reading *The Kite Runner*, you will encounter many beliefs, customs, practices, and historical bits of information regarding Afghanistan. You should find several aspects of their culture that are unique and different from your own. You will explore these differences through researching a given topic and work to build an attractive, creative, informative, and interactive Weebly page covering your topics related to the Afghan culture. You should include pictures, videos, etc. to make your page come alive. After your group completes their Weebly, you will rotate in groups to explore other Weeblys. In order to guide students through your Weebly, you and your group will be responsible for writing questions (minimum of 10 per group) that they must discover through the interaction. These questions must focus on the most important facts that students will need to know about your topics.

## Step 1: Getting Started

The best way to begin your project is by accessing the Kite Runner LibGuide on the Media Center website and reading through the materials provided for each group's set of topics. You may wish to divide up the sources amongst your group members to speed up the researching process. You will find all of these elements in our reading of *The Kite Runner*. You will also need to include a list of sources that you used to create your Weebly.

## Step 2: Drafting

After you have completed your initial research, begin to think of the organization of your pages within your Weebly. You may want to arrange things chronologically or by the topic you are discussing. For example, you may want to have a few pages in your Weebly that outline important people and events in Afghanistan's history. On these pages, you may want to include powerful quotes along with photos and artwork you have found in your research. Each page should be colorful and creative. Regardless of the way in which you put it together, try to remember you want to make it attractive as well as informative. After you have completed your research and Weebly designing, draft your "quiz" questions that the class will complete while viewing your Weebly.

As a class, we will arrange all of the Weebly sites in an interactive stations activity.



Note: Each group member will need to make a Weebly account.

## Weebly Group Assignments

You will save your Weebly page as:

**Spr15KRPer#Gr#**

**This means that if you are in my 2<sup>nd</sup> period class and are assigned group 1, your page would be: Spr15KR21**

**\*\*\*DO NOT PUT IN Per# or Gr#\*\*\***

Group 1:

Wedding rituals and practices

Treatment of Women (before and after Taliban and Russian overthrow)

Group 2:

Islamic Religion and religious practices (Sunni and the Shiites)

Hazara and Pashtun conflict (including the Hazara Massacre and class structure)

Group 3:

Government, politics, and economy

Historical events of Afghanistan (including how Afghanistan has changed over the years)

Group 4:

Education in Afghanistan (including grade school and university)

Healthcare

Group 5:

Common foods

Words and their meanings from the Afghan languages

Group 6:

Enjoyable pastimes and hobbies (including Kite Running/Kite Fighting Tournaments)

\*Popular movies and music

Manner of dress

Group 7:

Holidays, customs, traditions, celebrations

Areas and cities of interest

Group 8:

Geography and climate

The Taliban (including a small section of War on Terror and the relationship with America)