**All About YOU!**

**Introduction**

Design a newsletter about YOU!  It should include a digital camera snapshot of you, what your name means and information about events of importance that have taken place on your birth date throughout history.  This information should be factual, but the assignment allows you to use some creativity in how the information is presented.

**The Task**

Layout your newsletter in a minimum 3-4 pages on 8.5" X 11" paper, two columns per page with ½ inch margins (top, bottom and sides), include pictures, clipart, etc.  This should all be typed using a word processor, such as Microsoft Word.

**The Process**

**Your newsletter should include the following sections:**

     Introduction   - Biographical background about you - Who are you?  Where were you born?  Who are your parents?  What do you like to do?  What does your name mean.  Write your name in Hieroglyphics. Etcetera.

     List events in history that took place on your birthday.  Research one of these events and write about its importance to you and/or the world.

     List other important/famous people born on your birthday.  Research one of these individuals and write a brief description of their life and what you found interesting about him or her.  Use a picture if available.

     During the year of your birth:  list academy award winners, who was president and vice president, popular music / movies / TV shows, average prices of items (i.e. house, car, gas, milk, bread, stamp, etc.).  Include anything else you find of interest that happened during that year.

     Identify some of the special holidays and/or designated observances held during your birth month.

     Obituaries - List individuals that passed away on your birthday.  Research one of these individuals and write a brief description of their life and what you found interesting about him or her.

     Include any other information you found interesting related to your birthday, birth year and/or birth month.

**Internet sites that may be helpful in completing this assignment:**

[What's in Your Name](http://www.kabalarians.com/gkh/your.htm)

[Online Hieroglyphics Translator](http://www.quizland.com/hiero.htm)

[On this Day in History](http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history)

[Flashback.com](http://www.1990sflashback.com/1990/Economy.asp)

[Biography.com](http://www.biography.com)

[Behind the Name](http://www.behindthename.com/)

[Anagram](http://www.behindthename.com/anagram/)

[How Many Of Me](http://howmanyofme.com/search/)

[Name in Braille](http://www.afb.org/braillebug/thenamegame.asp)

**Evaluation**

Your performance will be evaluated based on the following rubric.

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|  | **Beginning**  **1** | **Developing**  **2 – 3 - 4** | **Accomplished**  **5 – 6- 7 -8** | **Exemplary**  **9 - 10** | **Score** |
| **Presented biographical information about self.** | Did not complete | Gave some information but little detail. | Presented bio information and meaning of name | Wrote a thorough bio, meaning of name, name in hieroglyphics and included personal picture. | \_\_\_\_ |
| **List events in history on your birth date.** | Did not complete | Listed some events but did not report on research of one event. | Listed some events with minimal reporting on one event. | Listed historical events and reported on importance of at least one to you and/or the world. | \_\_\_\_ |
| **List important/famous people who share your birthday and research the life of at least one person.** | Did not complete | Listed a few important/famous people. | Listed important/famous people and brief description of their life | Listed famous people, wrote description of one person's life and included their picture. | \_\_\_\_ |
| **List special happening (suggestions given) during year of birth.** | Did not complete | Listed minimal information. | Listed president, vice president, academy award winners, and music. | Listed examples from all the areas requested. | \_\_\_\_ |
| **Listed designated observances and obituaries related to birth date.** | Did not complete | Gave information on one but not both areas. | Gave some information related to both. | Gave adequate information on both and included other related interesting information. | \_\_\_\_ |

**Conclusion**

This assignment gave you an opportunity to search the Internet for a subject you may have thought you already knew a lot about – YOU, but did you learn some things?  I hope you found this activity to be fun and informative, because as the title says, it is “**ALL ABOUT YOU**!”