Library Research Assignment

This year, as we focus on a multi-genre approach to our writing, you will be creating several pieces of writing each marking period across different genres. Each piece of writing will relate in some way to a specific topic of your choosing. Since you will be creating many pieces of writing with the same topic in mind, the topic should be relatively broad. To help you pick an appropriate topic about which you can find plenty of material to work with, we are going to complete a mini-exploratory research project.

Steps to complete this project:

1. Complete the “Topic Brainstorm Chart” with as many ideas as you can think of. You should have at least 4 ideas for each column. Then highlight or circle 3 of your top choices.

2. Create 3 “Topic Webs” – one for each of your top choices. Each web should have at least 6 circles branching off of it. When the webs are completed, you will select 1 first choice topic and 1 back-up.

3. Using EasyBib and credible web sites, you will research and take notes on your first choice topic. You must create at least 3 notecards about your first choice topic and at least 1 notecard about your back-up topic.

4. To turn in this assignment, you will share your notecards/bibliography with Ms. Kopriva on Google Docs.

5. Write a brief reflection about the topic you chose and why it is the best choice for you. Questions for this reflection will be provided for you at a later date.

**This assignment only becomes homework if you do not complete your requirements within the time provided.

**There will be further instruction about EasyBib and how to choose credible websites during our library time.
Directions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. What is a credible website? What is the purpose of finding websites that are credible?

2. What is a bibliography and why do we create them?

3. How can research improve our writing?

My Notes on How to Use EasyBib

Step 1:

Step 2:

Step 3:

Step 4:

Step 5:

Extra Notes: