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Elementary Projects & Resources

Third Grade Michigan Study

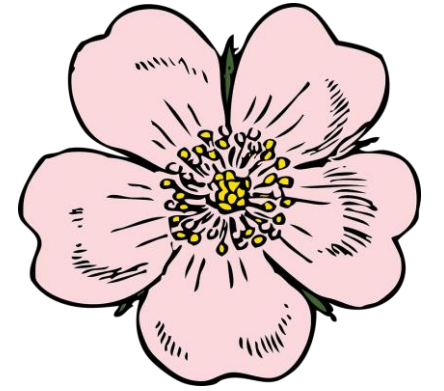
- Geography
- Early History
- Growth
- Economy
- Government
- Public Issues



Michigan Fair

Families and community members to the Michigan Fair. At the fair, they can enjoy learning about:

- Geography of Michigan
- Michigan Businesses
- Famous Michiganders
- Early Michigan History
- Natural Resources of Michigan
- Animals native to Michigan
- Michigan Flowers
- Michigan State



MeL and Michigan



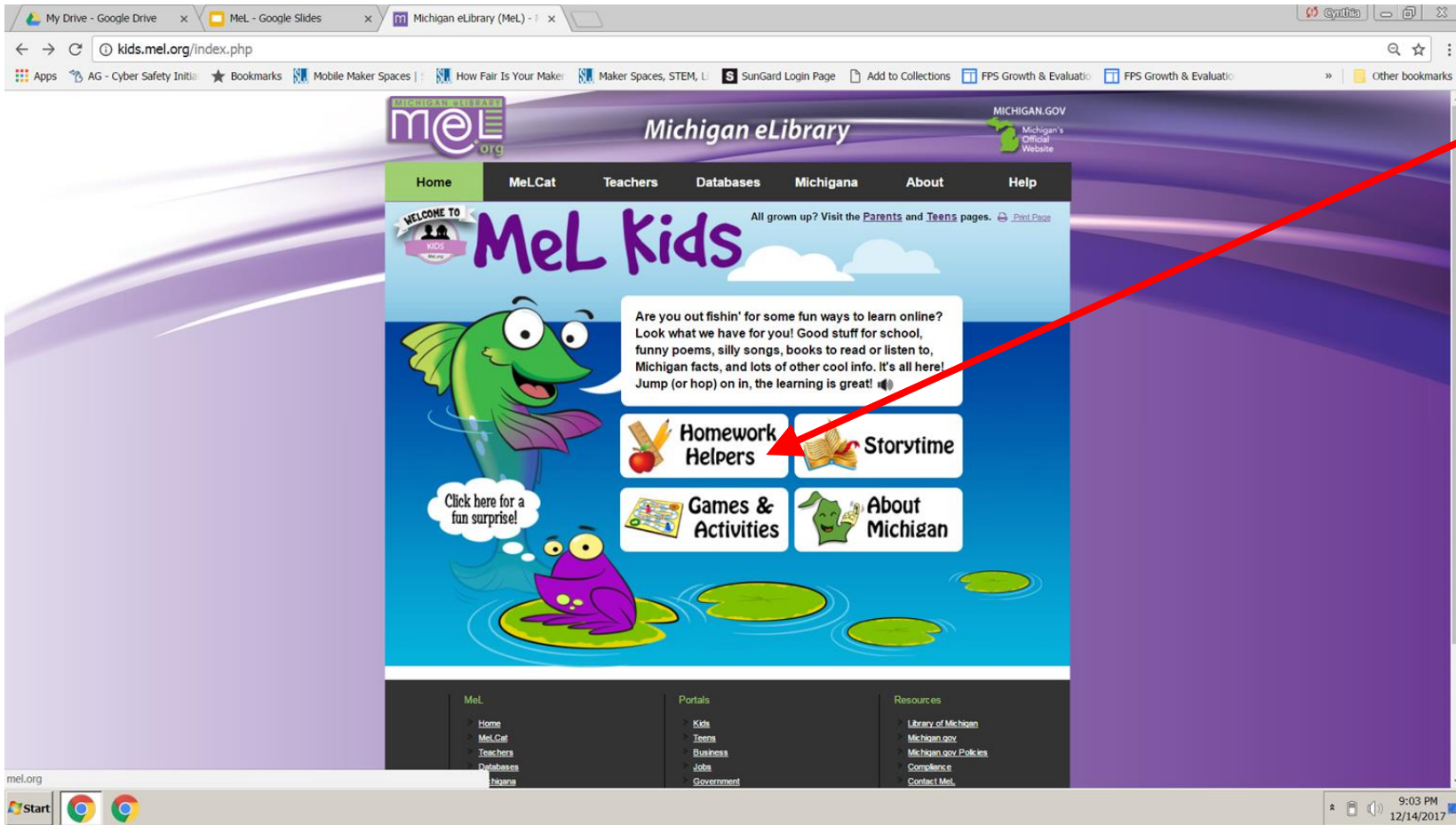
A great place to begin our research!

Helpful Websites

- Getting to Know Michigan Coloring Book
- Fish Identification
- Michigan Birds Identification
- Michigan Bugs and Insects
- Michigan Lighthouses
- Michigan Snakes
- Wildflower Database



MeL Databases



Find databases here!

Useful Databases

Britannica School - Elementary



- Various Reading Levels
 - Great Images and Videos
 - Biographies
 - Animal Kingdom
 - Tour the U.S.A.
 - Landforms
 - Lakes
- (Citations Available)

Kids InfoBits



- Animals
 - People
 - Plants
 - Geography
 - Famous Places
 - Social Studies
- (Google Integrated & Citations Available)

First Grade All About Books Celebration



"Expert All About Books." *Ms. Analu's News*, Wordpress, 24 Feb. 2012, analusnews.wordpress.com/.

Beginning with BookFlix

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL kids.mel.org/HomeworkHelpers. The page is titled "Michigan eLibrary" and "Homework Helpers". A red arrow points to the "BookFlix" resource, which is described as "Grades PreK - 3. An interactive experience that allows beginning readers to explore fiction and non-fiction designed to increase understanding...". The page also features a sidebar with links to "Kids Home", "Homework Helpers", "Storytime", "Games & Activities", and "About Michigan". At the bottom, there is a cartoon fish character with a speech bubble that says "Why are fish such intelligent creatures? (Scroll down for answer.)".

Michigan eLibrary
Michigan's Official Website

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KIDS Homework Helpers **SEARCH** [>](#)

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Early World of Learning Grades PreK-3. Follow Trek and Taffy the cat around the world learning about colors, numbers and other fun things. Strengthen... [More...](#)

Why are fish such intelligent creatures? (Scroll down for answer.)

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BookFlix -- Splash

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HELP RESOURCES

BookFLIX

Get Smart!

- Animals and Nature
- Earth and Sky
- People and Places
- ABC's and 1, 2, 3's
- Family and Community
- Music and Rhyme

FEATURED PAIR

Watch the Story! Read the Book!

GO

Fun to Know!

- Adventure
- Celebrations
- Imagination

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Topics to search for paired texts.

Helpful tools for teachers including how to use paired texts and classroom activities.

Non-Fiction Help

Nonfiction Text Features

Bold Print

Colored Text

Italics

Big Text
Small text

Diagrams

Timelines

Highlighted Text

- Bullets
- Bullets
- Bullets

Table of Contents
Cells.....3
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Glossary
abiotic-nonliving
biotic-living
cathode-negative
charged
electrode

Graphs

Tables/Charts

" of rain	Jan	Feb
2011	1	2
2012	3	4

Maps

Pictures and Captions

Red Blood Cells

Created by Tamara Cox, Palmetto Middle



Secondary projects & Resources



THE *Great* THANKSGIVING LISTEN

STORYCORPS

<https://storycorps.org/participate/the-great-thanksgiving-listen/lesson-plan/>

“The Great Thanksgiving Listen is a technology-based assignment originally developed for high school students studying American history, social studies, English, language arts, journalism, drama, ESL, media and technology. ” StoryCorps

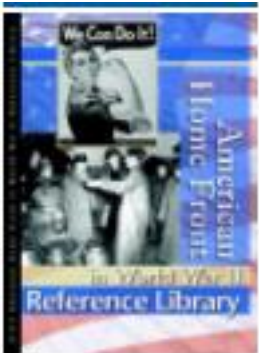
- American History
- Communication Skills
- Library Research
 - Final project - recording and newspaper article

Library Resources included:



Gale Virtual Reference Library: General interest. Full text. Encyclopedias and specialized reference sources for multidisciplinary research. Includes Study of Science--Earth Science, Geography and Geology c. 2017 and the Life & Career Skills Series--Employment, Personal Finance, [More...](#)

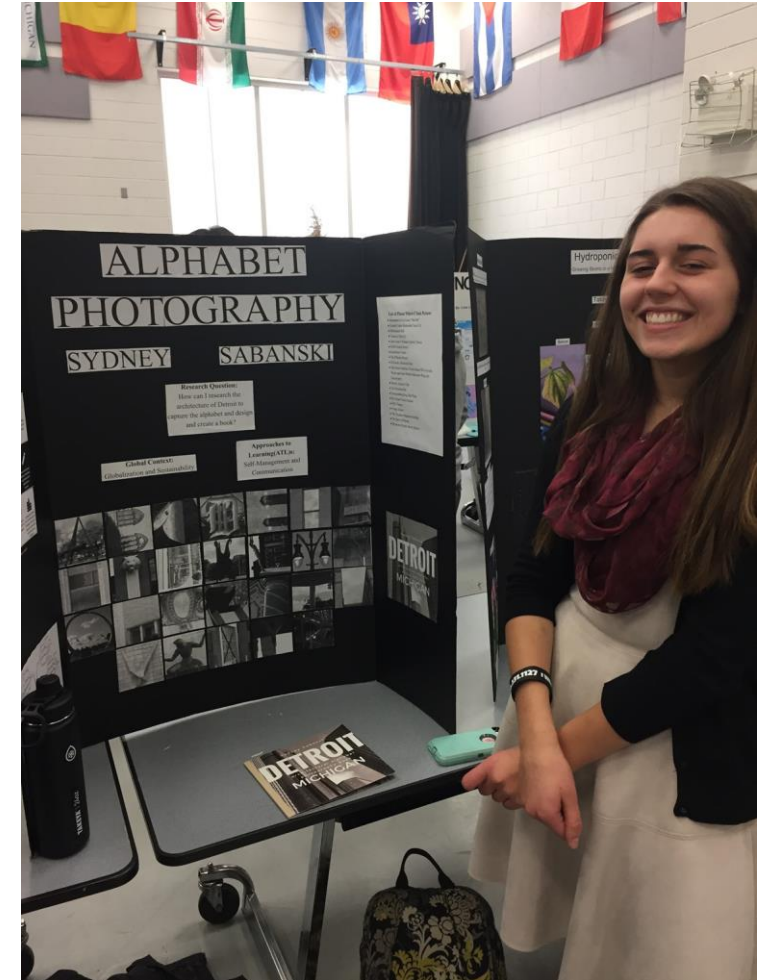
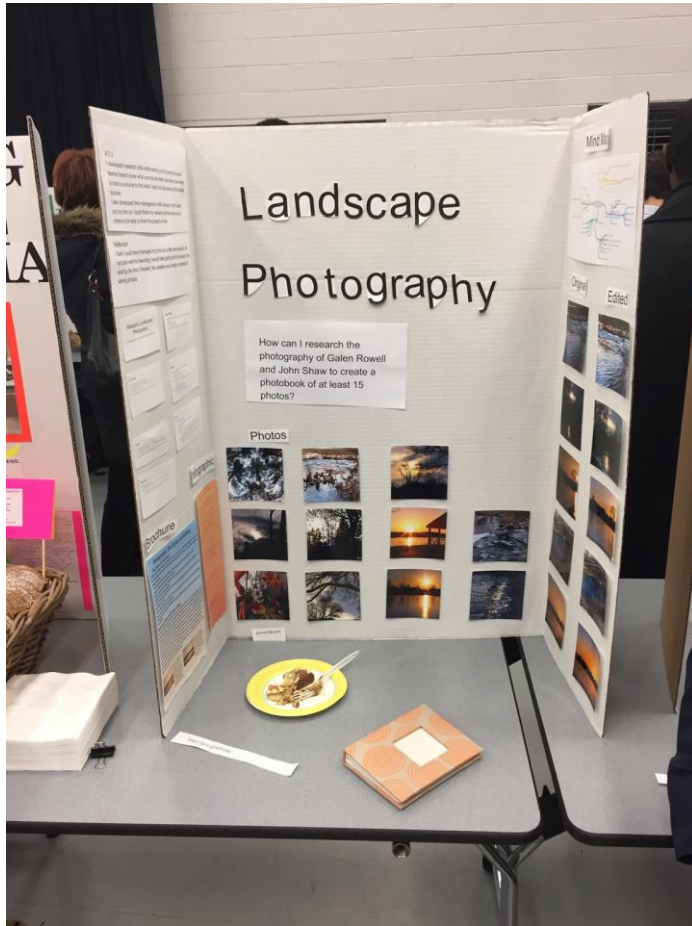
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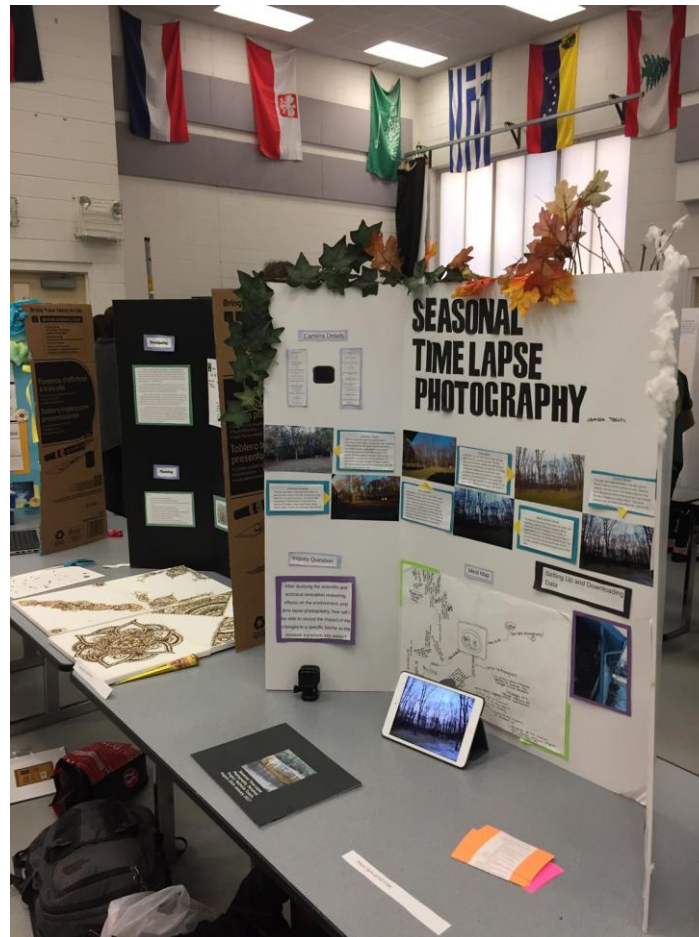
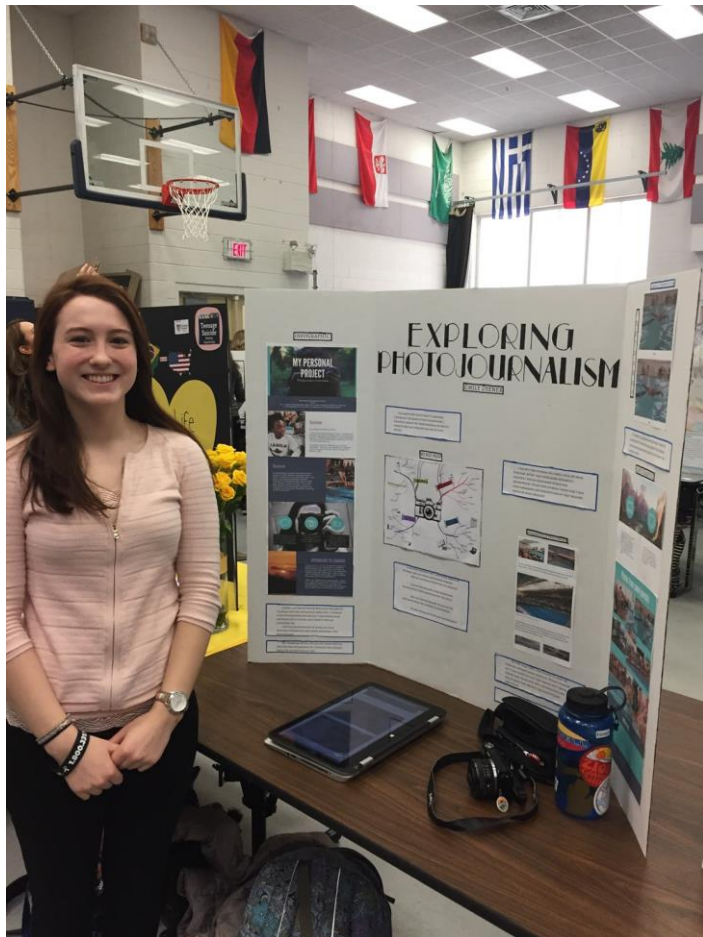
Students researched the event that they learned about during the interview.

The research was meaningful because of the personal connection they had with it.

Personal Project - 10th grade

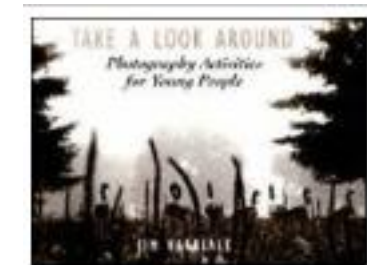
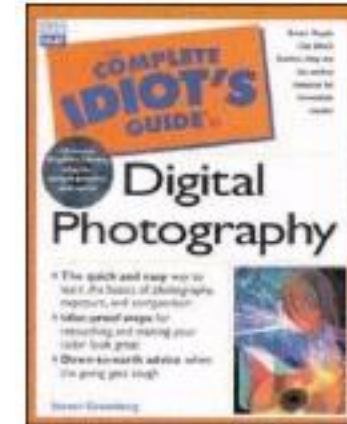
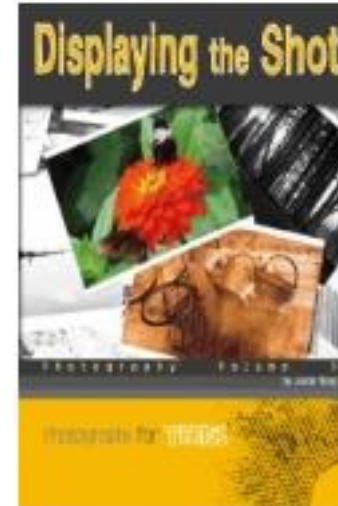


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The research process included:

- Extensive research on topic
- Reflecting on the research process
- Evaluating their sources
- Incorporating their particular interest
- Presenting their research & product

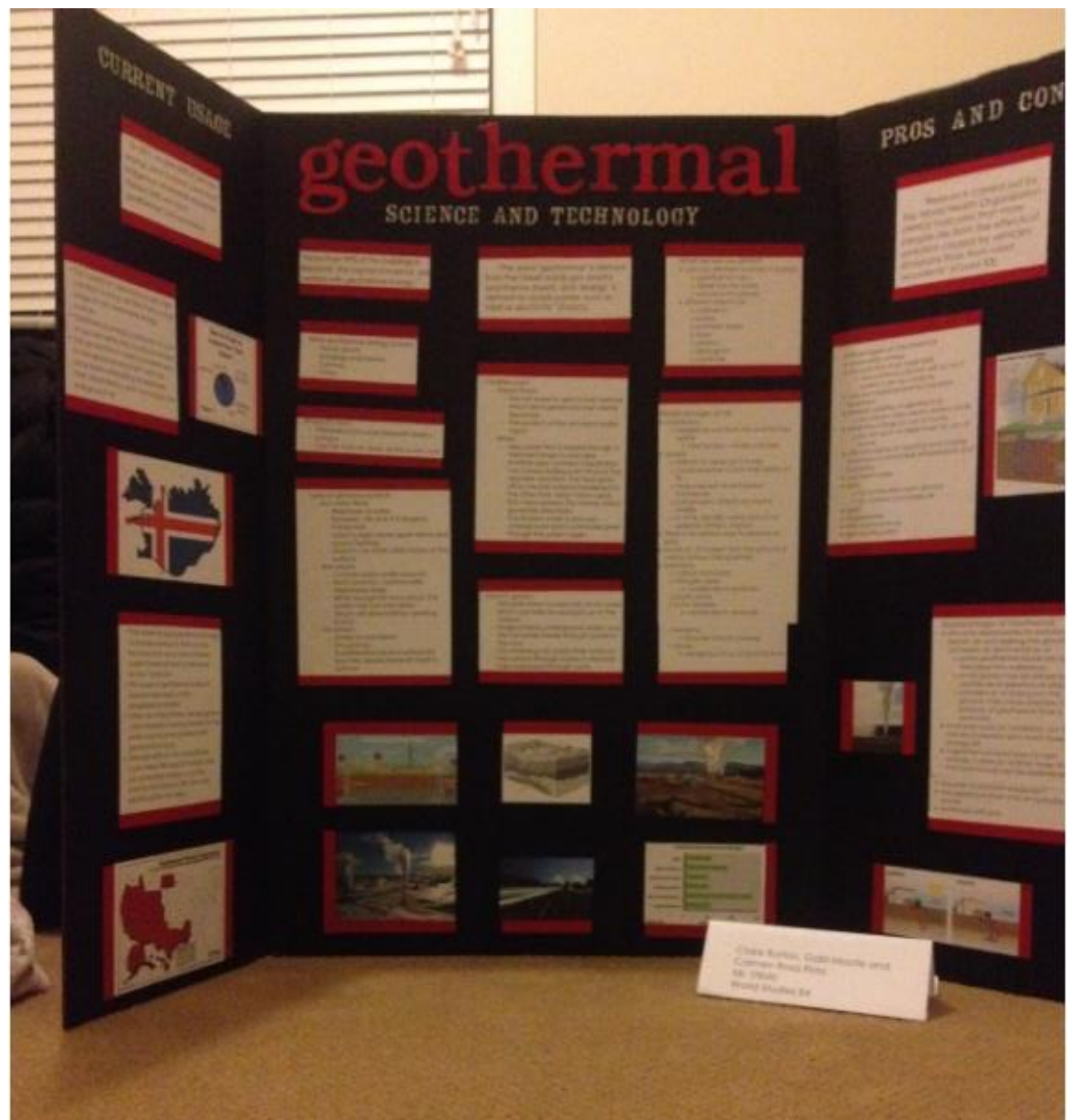
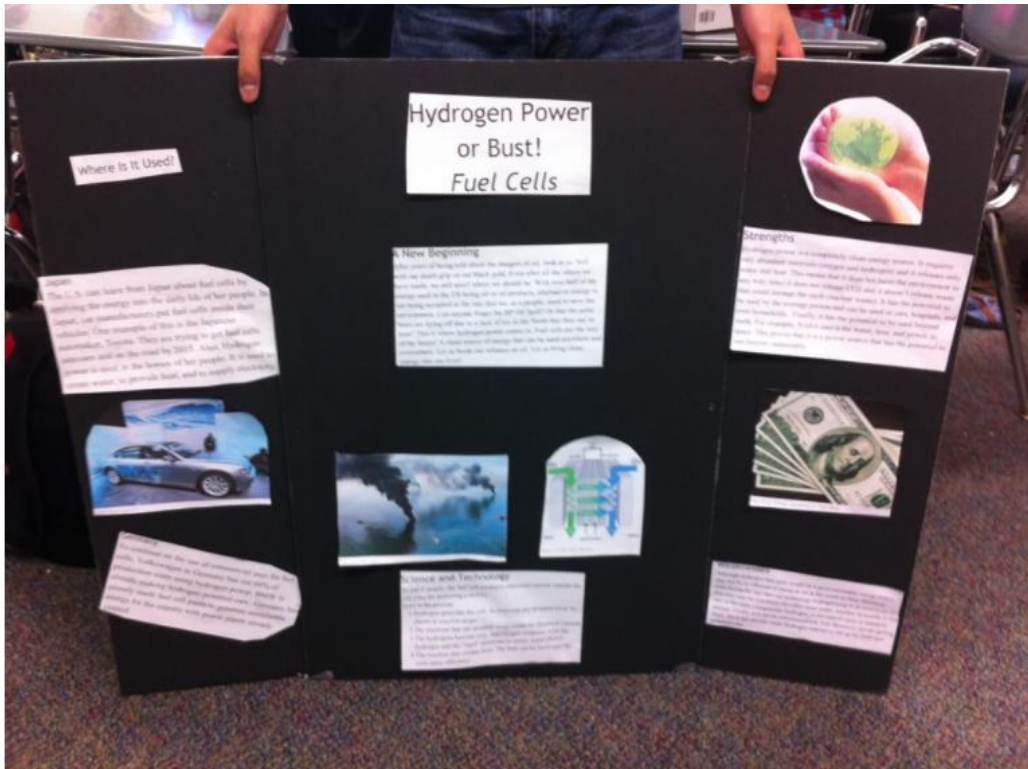


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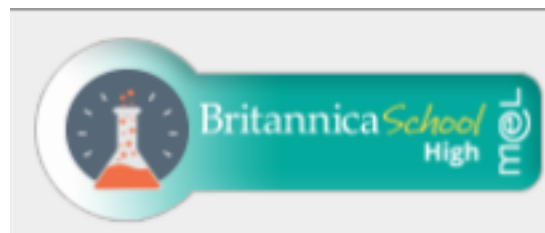
Energy Fair

- Students first researched the impact of oil
- Researched alternative energy
- Compared the development of alternative - - energy in countries around the world
- Used a carbon footprint calculator to determine their carbon footprint and shared with each other.

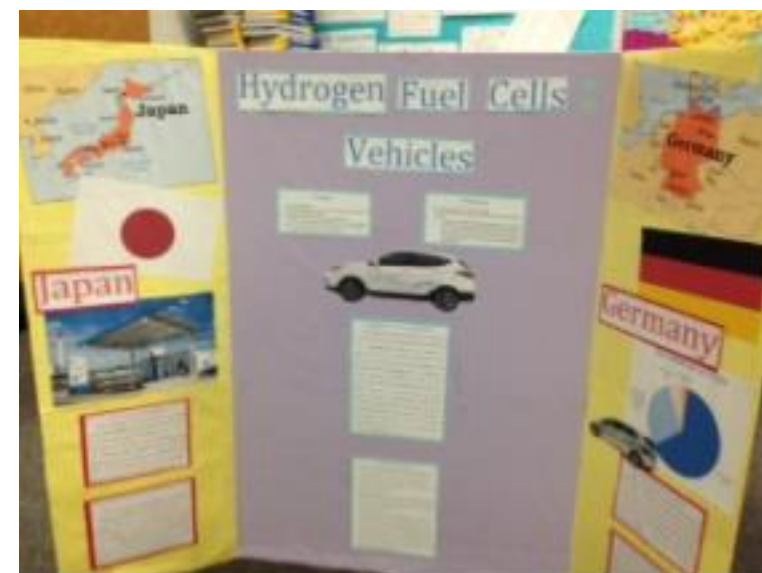




9th graders mostly used these resources through MeL



We also used the print resources in my library since I have done quite a bit of collection development for this project.

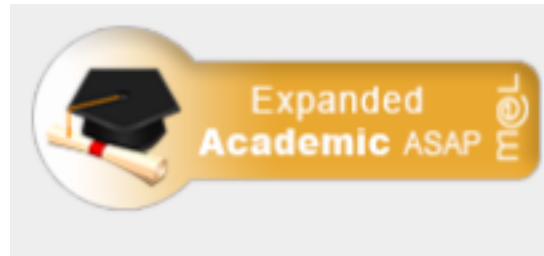


12th grade - various topics for 4000 word investigation

How does the artistic product of Nicole Tung's conflict photography transcend photojournalism into the realm of fine art? (photography)

With advancements in telecommunication technology, How has telemedicine improved healthcare for rural Americans? (science)

How did Early 20th Century Industry in Detroit Cause the Development of Migrant Communities? (family history)



In my high school library...



MeL resources are supplemented by my own database purchases

12,000+ print collection

School Library Resource Portal: http://www.galepages.com/lom_inac

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<https://goo.gl/forms/CSEmOot7waon9eUa2>

