

Personal Interest Project (PIP).

1. Pick something that interests you. It should be fun as well as educational.
2. Don't pick something too big. It should be something you can do by working a few hours each week (average: 1/2 hour each day) for 2 weeks.
3. Talk about your topic to your parents and your teacher, you need to have the approval of your parents or teacher before you actually begin work on your project, so start early.
4. You can get project ideas from your teacher, your parents, books you've read, something you've seen on TV - almost anywhere.
5. Begin early to research your topic. You can do research from books, reference books (like encyclopaedias, atlases, dictionaries, etc.), newspapers and magazines, personal interviews, or on the internet.
6. Keep good records as you go. You may want to keep a journal to keep track of what you are doing.
8. Present your material in a neat and organised way so that other people can understand what you've been studying and what you've learned.
9. You will be explaining your projects to other students, so have some ideas ahead of time of what you will say. Practice explaining your project at home to your family. The most important part of your PIP is sharing what you have learned about your subject.