The Great BC History Project

**THE PURPOSE:** To have students explore a specific part of the colourful and amazing history of British Columbia.

**YOUR TASK:** Design a dynamic, informative project in the format of your choice using a set of secondary sources (***MINIMUM 3 BOOKS, 2 WEBSITES***).

**THE FORMAT:** You may do your project in ANY of the following formats listed below:   
  
1) Essay (1000 words + Works Cited) ***Max 1 person***

2) Oral Presentation + PowerPoint ***Max 2 people.***

3) Prezi ***Max 2 people.***

4) Video (8 to 10minutes in length) ***Max 3 people.***

5) Poster Display (Graphics or written) ***Max 2 people.***

6) Coffee Table Book (Graphics or written) ***Max 2 people.***

7) Infographic ***Max 2 people.***

**You MUST tell Mr. Chau what format your project will take.**

**THE TOPICS:** A list of approved topics for your project have been provided on the **NEXT PAGE**. Only **ONE** of these topics is allowed per student or group and will be given on a first-come, first-serve basis. Other topics may be approved by Mr. Chau, however, ***Mr. Chau must grant permission for other topics to be researched first!***

**DUE DATE: JANUARY 12th 2015**

# RESEARCH TOPICS FROM 1800-1930—ONE TOPIC PER STUDENT OR GROUP

1. Billy Barker—Winner or Loser?
2. Barkerville—San Francisco of the North
3. Victoria and the Gold Rush
4. Empress Hotel History—to current day
5. Compare and Contrast Victoria Photographs “then and now” minimum 10 photos + stories
6. Busses, Trains, Trollies—Evolution of transportation in Victoria to present day
7. Rattenbury buildings in Victoria—then and now
8. Langford—then and now
9. Sooke—then and now
10. Five Haunted places in Victoria
11. Five Most Haunted places in BC
12. Five Famous Shipwrecks
13. British Columbia Train Disasters
14. Treatment of Chinese in British Columbia 1850-1930
15. The Pig War
16. Five famous politicians in early BC
17. Early school life in British Columbia
18. First Schools in Victoria
19. Five Women of the Gold Rush
20. Five notorious outlaws on early British Columbia
21. Five ghost stories of Victoria
22. Five ghost stories of British Columbia
23. The role of First Nations in the Gold Rush
24. Government treatment of BC First Nations
25. Government treatment of First Nations in Victoria
26. Hudson’s Bay Company History in Victoria
27. Hudson’s Bay Company History in BC
28. Emily Carr—interpreter of First Nations/reflector of 19th century Caucasian point of view
29. Unions, Worker Rights and working conditions in early BC
30. Lives of Women in early BC
31. Elizabeth Fisher—First teacher in the Sooke District
32. Recreation, Sport, and Entertainment in early BC
33. Food, Food Supply, and Health in early BC
34. Scandals in early BC History
35. Alaska and the BC history and connections
36. Komagata Maru incident
37. Racism and Exclusion in early BC
38. Five Famous BC Ghost Towns
39. Mining Industry of early BC
40. Logging industry of early BC