

Environmental Science Term Project (150pts total)

we have already done 15 via two small “checkpoints” on the wiki

end-products:

Individual Outline with primary references [35 pts]

- Just a page (ideally) - won't cry if you bleed onto a 2nd
- should outline your individual argument point(s) from your team perspective
- must include at least three primary references (not your textbook)
in the end I would like to see references include at least one “current events” news item, and one journal article (like a real science journal - electronic versions at library are fine)
Due 3/30/12
gradable elements: references, “spin” balance, topical applicability

The Debate Proper (last week of class) [65 pts]

- Teams will square off and debate (Point, then counter from the other side)
- Participants each may bring a “note card” (can be printed text) - one side your point, the other your counterpoint (if teams are numerically mismatched, card counts will be adjusted)
- Teams may bring Powerpoints or other media to make their points/counters
- Other class members will “score” debate points and counters
gradable elements: strength of argued point and counter (composite of instructor and class assessment), debate should include referencing to topical points/counters. Individual team “winner” will receive a slightly higher score than the team, winning team will receive

Wrap (synopsis) [35 pts]

- written 2-ish page “brief” of each individual's personal arguments and reflection on what was learned (those having to cover more than one point should have a little longer brief)
gradable elements: format, grammar, length, reflective lucidity
(I will provide a blank word document to use as a template. If you intend on using a Mac product or “Open Office” or similar, please contact me and I will detail the format for you.)

Outline and wrap will be submitted electronically (email attachment). File name will be structured as Lastnamefirstinitial101"submission".doc (or wpd or rtf) so if I submit my outline and used Open Office I would save as an RTF file with the name: **Vaughnd101outline.rtf**