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Review the project materials with an adult at home, then have your parent sign below. Once they have signed, cut on the dotted line above and turn in to your teacher no later than Tuesday, October 21, 2014.

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Group Members:	 	
Country:	 	
Name of Business:	 	

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Steps to Project Completion:

Date Due	Steps	Actions
October 20 - 22	#1	 IN SCHOOL – Research using the CultureGrams database in the Library/Computer. Record your notes in your project graphic organizer. AT HOME – Complete the introduction part of your essay planning page. This is due in class by Thursday, October 23rd.
October 22/23	#2	 IN SCHOOL – Brainstorm business proposal ideas Complete the PowerPoint Planning pages Begin creating your PowerPoint using provided template AT HOME – Complete body part of your essay planning page. This is due in class by Friday, October 24th.
October 24	#3	 IN SCHOOL – LAST DAY IN LIBRARY/COMPUTER LAB Finalize your PowerPoint using provided template AT HOME – Use the planning pages (prep-tasks) that you completed this week to write a three paragraph essay on your project. This essay will be due in class on Wednesday, October <u>29th</u>.
October 27/28	#4	 IN SCHOOL – Present your PowerPoint to the class and receive your group grade
Due in class on October 29	#5	Turn in essay and research notes which will be assessed to determine your individual grade.