**Assignment: You tell the world (AKA investigative journalism)**

Here’s your chance to do some research and tell what life is like for the average kid. You will each choose a different country, and then we’ll share our final work.

1 – You need to create a product that tells your kid’s story. You have options:

A – a traditional print news story with photos (2-3 pages) (Shared with Class)

B – An oral presentation with a visual component (6-8 minutes)

C – Create a Facebook page that tells your kid’s story (of comparable length to options A & B)

Remember your main mission is to inform your audience and raise awareness of what life is like for “your” kid. Content is more important than length. (Quality always trumps quantity)

**Possible issues to include in your story:**

Social issues – family life, alcohol and drug abuse, gender relations, etc.

Housing – electric, water, sewer,

Education availability – primary, college, tech school

Transportation options

State of the local economy – jobs

Is your education free? Or how do you pay for it?

Access to Health Care

Safety & Crime

Internet access & availability of technology

Ability to travel or leave

**Helpful Websites:**

CIA Factbook just google “CIA Factbook”

Newsela [*www.newsela.com*](http://www.newsela.com)[Different versions available]

National Public Radio [*www.npr.org*](http://www.npr.org)[Audio available]

PBS Newshour [*http://www.pbs.org/newshour/*](http://www.pbs.org/newshour/) [Video usually available]

New York Times electronic edition <http://eedition.nytimes.com>

[Audio available] Log-in and Password: 200291037

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**List of nations / Areas**

1 - Syria

2 – Haiti

3 – US / Mexico Border region

4 – Chicago’s South Side

5 – South America – you choose the country

6 – Rural United States

7 – Gaza

8 – West Bank

9 – North Korea

10 – South Korea

11 – Iraq

12 – Afghanistan

13 – Any nation in Europe – you pick

14 – Russia

15 – China

16 – Israel

17 – Egypt

18 – Mexico

19 – India

20 – Central Africa – you choose the country

21 – Cuba

22 – Puerto Rico

23 - Guatemala