SOCIAL STUDIES/HUMANITIES 11

THE UNITED NATIONS

BROCHURE AND ESSAY OUTLINE ASSIGNMENT

**Part I – Knowing the U.N.**

1. You have been assigned the task of explaining the various activities of the U.N. to students in a grade 7 social studies class in the form of a BROCHURE/PAMPHLET. You may work in a group of up to 3 people.

To complete the task, your group needs to explore the United Nations website to get the information you require. The website URL is **<http://www.un.org>**

Once you are at this site, you need to get information on the following topics:

* Background/history
* Peace and Security
* Economic and Social Development
* Human Rights
* Humanitarian Affairs
* International Law

You must not copy word for word what is written on the website; rather, you must put it into wording that would be understood by 12 and 13 year olds. This is an exercise in **summarising** information.

Assessment:

* Content – appropriate, relevant details
* Audience – is appropriate for the age group
* Presentation – how you organized the material
* Mechanics – layout, spelling/usage, punctuation

**Part II - Canada and the U.N.**

2. Using the internet, find out Canada’s contributions to the U.N. in the following areas:

* Universal Declaration of Human Rights
* The Suez Crisis (1956) and subsequent peace missions
* Environmental Programme
* International Criminal Court

Explain each of these contributions in detail. Consider including dates, important people, the purpose, the result.

A good website is [**http://www.un.int/canada**](http://www.un.int/canada)

Essay Outline Assignment (please print off the outline sheet from my website www.msdhuff.weebly.com)

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| **United Nations Mandate:**  a. to keep world peace and prevent the outbreak of new wars  b. to encourage friendly relations among nations  c. to abolish disease and famine  d. to protect human rights |

To what extent has the United Nations been successful in fulfilling its mandate? Your answer should consider both the successes and the failures of the United Nations since it was created in 1945.

**This essay outline is worth 30 marks (5 marks per paragraph). Only the intro and conclusion are full paragraphs; the body paragraphs will include complete topic and concluding sentences, but our supporting examples may be point-form (however, they must be fully explained and clear in meaning).**