**NAME**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**GENIUS HOUR DATES:** May 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24

**GENIUS HOUR PRESENTATION:** May 25, 2016

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| [http://tse1.mm.bing.net/th?&id=OIP.Ma171760477fab17a13c914fdbf458cc2o0&w=183&h=167&c=0&pid=1.9&rs=0&p=0&r=0](http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=genius+hour+image&view=detailv2&&id=DEFEEAC1911A06D2A2578D31EF509242124591D6&selectedIndex=0&ccid=oXF2BHf6&simid=607990073827854008&thid=OIP.Ma171760477fab17a13c914fdbf458cc2o0)  GENIUS HOUR  Choose Your Passion Project | Abstract  *Genius hour allows you to explore your own passions and encourages creativity. It provides you a choice in what you learn. You are challenged to explore something and to do a project that you want to learn about. You will spend several hours researching the topic before you start creating a product that will be shared with the class/school/world.*  Mrs. Powers  English / Language Arts - 8 |

**CHOOSING A PROJECT … for Genius Hour**

**Questions to Get You Thinking about What YOU Want to Do**

What are your hobbies? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What are you really good at?

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you love? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What breaks your heart about what you love? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you hate? What REALLY upsets you? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What are five everyday problems that bother you? What can you do about them?

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you do when no one is telling you what to do? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you do when you are “supposed to be doing something else”? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What types of information do you read and watch? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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What television shows do you watch? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What television show do you wish existed? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What are you crazy excited about? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you wonder about?

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you could take any class in school, what would it be? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you could plan a field trip, where would you choose? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you never have time for, but would love the extra time so you could get

better? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you hope to be when you grow up? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What is your favorite vacation spot? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you like to do at home? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you could interview anyone in the world (living or dead), who would it be?

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Where do you dream about visiting some day? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What is something you are terrible at, but still enjoy doing? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you were given one million dollars, but had to donate it, what charities would

you donate it to and why? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What is something you think should be invented? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What is something you’ve always wanted to do, but were too afraid to try?

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\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you could go back in time to any time period, where would you go, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

and why? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What would you work on if no one was watching over you? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

What is your perfect day? (You are already well-rested.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to learn to change \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to learn about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to learn to test \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to learn to do \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to learn to create \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to learn to make \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

It really bugs me when\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I think a lot about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

When I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it gives me a deep satisfaction and sense of accomplishment.

Every time I see\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, I want to figure out how it’s done!

I cannot stop talking about, thinking about, dreaming about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I would do \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for free!

When I’m (doing) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,I’m the happiest I can be.

When I’m (doing) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, time flies!

I wake up thinking about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Create your own [“March Madness” bracket](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PX_SaiB6p5kqPNxJ7e5KU6BZrK6Nvg10oec9MqM2nps/edit) of your likes and dislikes.

**Websites for You to Explore**

30-Day Challenge - <http://www.ted.com/talks/matt_cutts_try_something_new_for_30_days>

100 Happy Days - <http://100happydays.com/>

Animation and Stop Motion - [Resources Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Animation)

Arduino (must purchase kit/parts) - <http://arduino.cc/>

Coursera (MOOCs) - <https://www.coursera.org/>

Curiosity.com - <https://curiosity.com/>

Digital Photography - [Challenges Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Digital+Photography)

Digital Video - [Challenges Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Digital+Video)

DIY - <https://diy.org/>

DIY Science & Math - <http://howtosmile.org/>

Educational YouTube Channels - <http://kidsactivitiesblog.com/64556/10-educational-youtube-channels-kids>

The Fun Theory - <http://www.thefuntheory.com/>

Snapguide DIY - <http://snapguide.com/>

Game Making - [Tools Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Game+Making)

GeoSettr - <http://geosettr.com/>

Give It 100 Challenge - <https://giveit100.com/>

Innovation Challenges - [See them here](http://parks.slu.edu/current-students/entrepreneurship-and-innovation/weekly-innovation-challenge/2013-2014/)

Instructables - <http://www.instructables.com/>

Jewelry Making - [Tools/Ideas Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Jewelry+Making)

Know More in 60 Seconds - <http://www.knowmoreinsixtyseconds.com/#/>

Learn Guitar - [Resources Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Learn+To+Play+Guitar)

Legos - [LegoMaster Challenges](https://diy.org/skills/legomaster)

Made With Code - <https://www.madewithcode.com/>

Photo-A-Day Challenge - <http://fatmumslim.com.au/photo-a-day-challenge-lists-see-them-all-here/>

Pixar In a Box (free class!) - <https://www.khanacademy.org/partner-content/pixar/start>

Podcasting - [Challenges Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Audio+Podcasting)

Programming - [Resources Here](http://thinkeringstudio.wikis.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Programming)

Quirky - <https://www.quirky.com/>

Sodaplay - <http://sodaplay.com/>

Spoken Word/Poetry - <http://www.poetrysoup.com/>

tackk Genius Hour Activities / Challenges - <https://tackk.com/bsmsgeniushour>

Teach Yourself Anything - <http://www.webdistortion.com/2011/10/02/60-educational-resources/>

The Kid Should See This - <http://thekidshouldseethis.com/>

The Tinkering Studio (must purchase a kit) - <http://tinkering.exploratorium.edu/projects>

TinkerLab - <http://tinkerlab.com/welcome-tinkerlab-makers/>

Wonderopolis - <http://wonderopolis.org/>

**Introduce yourself to new programs and tools to spur your interest:**

1. [Scratch](http://scratch.mit.edu/)
2. [Raspberry pi](https://www.google.com/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&ion=1&espv=2&ie=UTF-8#q=raspberry%20pi%20projects)
3. [Squishy circuits](https://www.google.com/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&ion=1&espv=2&ie=UTF-8#q=squishy%20circuits)
4. [LEGO Mindstorm](http://www.lego.com/en-us/mindstorms/?domainredir=mindstorms.lego.com)
5. [Sploder](http://www.sploder.com/)

**GENIUS HOUR RULES**

* 1. You will spend Tuesdays and Thursdays each week on our Genius Projects.
  2. You may work alone or with a small group.
     + - Decide carefully.  If you choose a small group, you will have to compromise with your group and deal with other personalities.  If you work alone, you have complete autonomy but you are responsible for the outcome.
       - Is this person a worker or floater?
       - Can I get along with this person for the entire semester?
       - Is this person going to keep on track or distract me?
       - This is not about hanging out with friends, but making something really cool.
  3. Choose a project that is new to you and something you wouldn’t normally do in another academic class.
     + - If you are stuck, do some research on other educational 20% projects and take another look at what Google has done.
  4. You must produce a product or achieve some sort of goal.
  5. Write up a proposal and pitch it to the rest of the class that includes a purpose, audience, timeline, and resources you will need to complete the project.  You will present your pitch in a 1-2 minute session in front of other students.
  6. Choose an adult to be your official mentor.  I am an English teacher, I do not have a lot of experience with some of the projects you might choose.
  7. Reflect on the process each session on a personal blog.
  8. If, at any moment, you feel lost, overwhelmed, or uninspired, you must set a meeting with me to find a solution.
  9. At the end of the year, you will present your project and reflect on the process in a five-minute TED-style talk.
  10. Failure **is** an option.  Simply learning from your mistakes teaches you a lot.

**Preliminary Research**

My Project is going to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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My final product/goal/accomplishment will be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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What do I need to know about my topic to be successful? (Now research these items and staple them to this handout.)

What will be easy about this project?

What will be difficult about this project?

Will most of this project be in class or outside of class?

If outside, what will I do during the Genius Hour time?

**PROPOSAL FOR PROJECT**

Name(s):

Date:

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| --- | --- |
| **TOPIC**  **Topic to be investigated**  **(Problem or need to be solved)** |  |
| **AUDIENCE**  **Who will benefit from your project? How will it make a difference in their lives?** |  |
| **DRIVING QUESTION** |  |
| **BRANCH QUESTIONS**  **What information do you plan to collect to answer the question? What are your branch questions that must be answered?** |  |
| **RESEARCH PLAN**  **How do you plan to conduct the research (through websites, books, articles, interviews, experiments ...)?** |  |
| **TIMELINE**  **What is your proposed timeline for completing the project by the due date? Is it realistic? Is it possible?** |  |
| **PRODUCT**  **What is the actual product/result you want to finish with?** |  |
| **PRESENTATION**  **How will you present your findings to your class? (Example: Prezi, experiment, demonstration, video, text, website, vlog, blog)** |  |
| **IMPACT**  **What difference will this project make in your life or the lives of others?** |  |
| **QUESTIONS / PROBLEMS**  **Questions you have about your project** |  |