

Creating Project Contracts

Think. Pair. Share. *PBL teachers often create contracts with students to guide team work. Review the attached sample project contract.*

The following is a (long!) list of possible components of a project contract. Do you plan to create a contract for your project? What items would be appropriate to include for your grade level? Which parts will you fill out for the teams? Which parts will the teams fill out with your assistance?

Sample Contract Contents

1. Who is in the group?
2. What will we create?
3. What is each person's task?
4. When are the items due?
5. What is each person's role within the group?
6. How will we assess our group's performance during the project?
7. What are the group norms?
8. What happens when someone doesn't do their work?
9. How will we choose a leader?
10. What is the leader's role?
11. What are the expectations regarding task completion?
12. What happens if I don't do the work on time?
13. How will the group handle problems within the group?
14. How will we be graded?

PROJECT CONTRACT

Project Title: Journey Through China

Expert Group Topic: (Circle assignment)

- Chinese celebrations (Chinese New Year, Tomb Sweeping Day, Dragon Boat Festival, Mid-Autumn Festival)
- Chinese religions (Buddhism, Confucianism, Taoism)
- Visual art in China
- Chinese opera
- Martial arts (Tai Chi, etc...)
- Climate
- Vegetation
- Animal Life - (Panda bears, etc...)
- Chinese inventions (kites, paper, etc...)
- Silk production
- “Made in China” (Chinese exports)

First Check Point - Date: _____

Group Tasks:

- List of research questions.

Individual Tasks:

- List of “powerful” interview questions for expert visitor.
- Non-fiction response log.

Second Check Point - Date: _____

Group Tasks:

- Museum Artifact
- Presentation to class

Individual Tasks:

- Non-fiction response log.

Final Check Point - Date: _____

Group Tasks:

- Museum Tour at Chinese Culture event (work with partners within the team).

Individual Tasks:

- Description of Museum Artifact.

Group Norms:

Be considerate.
Respect everyone's space.
Be open to everyone's ideas.
Give people a chance to explain their ideas.
Be a good listener.
Do your fair share of the work.
Help each other.

Signatures:
