**The Pig War Research Paper Outline**

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For my research paper I will study the topic on the Pig War. I will try answer the following question in paper

* Who was in the Pig War?
* What events led to the Pig War?
* Why the Pig War happened?
* What events happened during the Pig war
* What happened because of the pig war?
* Where the Pig War took place?
* When the Pig War happened?
* The effects of the Pig War today

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**Statement of Process**

Please answer the following questions about **how** you completed the assignment. This will help me to understand the thinking behind your interpretation and will provide you with a record of your learning at this stage as you move forward with your research.

1. **How did you choose your topic? Please explain in as much detail as possible.**

My original topic was on James Douglas. However, when I was looking into who James Douglas was. I read a little bit on the Pig war and was intrigued. This made me look into it more which made me want to change my topic.

1. **How did you choose your sources? Please explain your thinking that led you to choose the evidence you will use to interpret the topic.**

My target was too find published sources not just some website. I wanted to have sources that were reliable and full of information on my subject. I choose these certain articles because they provide information and evidence on the what I will write about in my paper.

1. **What assumptions did you bring to your research? For example, what preconceived notions about the topic did you have before you began your research? Did your sources cause you to reconsider those ideas? Please explain in as much detail as possible**

I thought when I saw, ‘The Pig War’ it had to be a war that involved the use of pigs or something. However looking more into it. I found that the pig was the only casualty in the war.

1. **How has your view of the past changed as a result of the research that you have done? What unanswered questions about this topic do you still have?**

Well I learnt that a small event could have huge implications that can affect a lot of people. I also learnt that boundaries should be set out clearly and that both parties understand what is what. One unanswered question I have is, why did the Americans end up keeping the islands?

1. **What will you do differently next time?**

Next time I would probably read books instead of journals. I think reading a whole book on a certain topic would give you the bigger picture of the topic.