**Writing your Position Paper**

Due Thursday, February 19th

* The position paper should be one, single-spaced page (or 600 words, whichever comes first) in length, using 12-point, Times New Roman font with 1-inch or 2.5-centimeter margins.
* At the top of your position paper, on the left, include this information:
  + Name of country: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Name of Committee: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Name of Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**STRUCTURE**

Paragraph 1: Introduction

* Introduce your country
  + Say its location, population, developed or developing (lots of poverty, or wealthy) and any other facts
* Introduce the topic: Here you should say something about MDG 2 and 3, and why they are important for the world, and then talk specifically about Environmental Education and Wildlife Conservation
  + How are these topics connected?
  + Describe the topic you have decided to write about: which topic is the most important in your country?
  + What are your country’s beliefs about this topic?
* Relate this topic to the world
  + Say why it is important for the world to care about this topic
    - Why the UN should listen to your country’s ideas
    - Why should other countries help you?

Paragraph 2: Background and National Action

* Give background information about your topic
  + Give more detail about this topic and your country
    - Here is a good place to include some statistics
    - What has your country done in the past about this problem?
* National Action
  + What is your country’s progress with this topic?
    - What is your country doing nationally?
      * Special government programs?
      * How much money do they spend on this topic
      * Do you have environmental education?
      * Are there any specific NGOs working in your country?
      * Here is a good place to include a quote from a government official on your country’s progress

Paragraph 3: International Action

* What has your country done internationally?
* Is your country in any special organizations or associations concerning this topic?
* Have they participated in any UN agreements?
* Has your government *asked for* help from other countries?
* Has your country *given* help to other countries?
  + Talk about specific programs and ways your country is cooperating with other countries.

Paragraph 4: Conclusion

* Give your country’s recommendations on how to solve this problem
* Why should the committee follow your recommendations?
* End with a sentence suggesting countries work together
  + EXAMPLE: “We would like to work with other countries of the UN to find a solution to this serious problem.”

Remember to include **QUOTES** and **STATISTICS** throughout your paper.

Use **CITATIONS** for this information.

\*you must include all websites you use at the bottom of the page!!

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Quotes, Statistics and Sources

Use this page to save important statistics, quotes from government officials and websites (sources) that you use.

**Statistics:**

**Quotes:**

**Sources:**