

# Genre + Culture: Life in Polynesia

## IB Unit I Performance Task

You will be learning about Polynesian and Pacific Islander culture through various genres. Each genre presents information differently. For this task, you must pretend that you are an anthropologist, which is someone who researches different cultures. You must select one genre that is the best representation of the culture and write about why that genre is the best one. Here are the steps you will take:

1. In class, complete the genre notetaking chart for each genre (texts will be posted on Google Classroom).
2. After reading all texts, decide which genre is the best representation of the culture and write it on your genre notetaking chart.
3. Begin planning out your essay to answer this question: Which genre best helps readers understand Polynesian/Pacific Islander culture, and why is that genre the best?
4. In class, work on your rough draft of your essay.
5. Edit and revise your essay.
6. Create your final draft
7. Turn in your final draft on 10/31/17.

As you write your essay be sure to:

- ✓ Focus on your chosen genre and provide plenty of support.
- ✓ Consider your purpose, audience, subject, and structure of your essay.
- ✓ Organize your essay so that ideas progress logically.
- ✓ Include relevant details that clearly develop your essay.
- ✓ Edit your essay for standard grammar and language usage.

*Make sure you check the class website and Google Classroom for documents, graphic organizers, and resources throughout the unit!*

DUE DATES: Rough draft by Friday 10/27/17 and FINAL DRAFT by Tuesday 10/31/17