Living History

**Due: April 15, 2020**

Wow. These past few weeks have been…interesting. Honestly, it’s been a little bit of a struggle for me-anyone else feel the same way? One amazing thing about this time though is that we are living through a major historical event. That’s a big deal! One way to really understand historical events is **primary resources**-firsthand accounts from people who lived through the event. **YOU ARE A LIVING, BREATHING PRIMARY SOURCE FOR THIS EVENT. YOUR STORIES MATTER.**

As time goes on, you’ll forget some of the memories and feelings you have right now. So, your task is to write down what you’re experiencing while living through this pandemic. I have given you 9 writing prompts-you need to pick **4** to respond to. Each response needs to be a paragraph (5-6 sentences). Your paragraphs can be typed(be sure to include the questions) or handwritten (if you hand write make sure to include the questions, take a picture of your responses with your NAME written at the top and then submit it to the Edmodo assignment page).

1. **Where were you when you first found out that school would be cancelled “until further notice”? How did you feel about this? Were you excited or upset? How has your life been affected the past few days? What questions do you still have?**
2. **What do you do to stay informed? Social media, news, radio coverage, family members. Do you set boundaries so that you do not become too informed or overwhelmed? Is it possible to be too informed?**
3. **What questions do you still have about COVID-19? Do you think we will have answers to these questions?**
4. **What responses have you seen from other people about the Corona Virus? Family members, people online, local and national government. How do you feel about the reactions that you have seen from others?**
5. **What are you doing to keep yourself entertained while you are “social distancing” from others during this time? Do you have any hobbies at home, shows you are watching, games you are playing, etc…**
6. **If you could pick three “must haves” while you are shut in what would they be and why? Bonus! Take a picture and send it to Mrs. Newell.**
7. **Do you think students should be required to do online learning at this time? Why or why not? How might this be a challenge for teachers? For students?**
8. **What is your prediction of what will happen in the coming weeks? Months? The rest of the year? How do you think this will affect students in the long run?**
9. **What has surprised you the most about the time off that we have had? Is this something good or bad or somewhere in between?**