THE WEST AND THE WORLD
CULMINATING ACTIVITY: FILM/BOOK REVIEW

DUE: _____________________

One of your “Tumbling Culminating Activities” is to choose a Film or Book and Present it to the class during the second part (post mid-term) of the course. Your presentation to the class will be no more than 20 minutes.

You will:
• choose 4 areas of focus of the film to assess
• prepare a bibliography (5 sources) and research notes
• prepare a 20 minute presentation comparing your research with the historical accuracy of the film including a clear and justified ranking (see rubric)
• you will be presenting on 4 areas of focus of the film including one - three video clip(s)/ book passages

Suggested Areas of Focus:
Weapons/Military Strategy    Medicine    Costumes
Historical events    Characters    Setting
Architecture    Class Structure    Technological innovations
Modes of Transportation    Values and Beliefs    Cross-cultural interaction
Geographical features    Government structure    Music
Role of demographic groups    Relation to Themes of the Course

Book Review
Please choose a Book in Consultation with the Instructor.

General List of Historical Movies
Gosford Park    Doctor Zhivago    Amadeus
Immortal Beloved    Amistad    Full Metal Jacket
Saving Private Ryan    Indochine    Gandhi
Passage to India    Elizabeth    Life is Beautiful
The Last Emperor    City of Joy    Malcolm X
13 Days    4th of July    Emma
Pride and Prejudice    Quills    Sense & Sensibility
Les Misérables    Wilde    A Tale of Two Cities
The Great Gatsby    Mrs. Brown    Importance of Being Earnest
Of Mice and Men    JFK    All the President’s Men
Cabaret    Madness of King George    Vincent & Theo

For a Comprehensive List of Films by Time Period:
Modern History in the Movies: http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbookmovies.html