**Packet Activities 17-21**

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Greetings everyone! I hope that you are all doing well and everyone is staying safe. For packet’s 17-21 I am going to try to make a bunch of activities for you that do not involve printing anything off the computer as I know this is not possible for some students. I am going to focus on ways to learn about social studies and current events for you by exploration. Below you will see each packet activity and what you need to do for it. If you have any questions feel free to send me a livegrades message or email me at [svrichardson@k12.wv.us](mailto:svrichardson@k12.wv.us).

Have a great day!

Mr. Richardson

**Packet Activity 17:** For packet activity 17 I would like to you read for 20 minutes about anything to do with history. You may read from a book, website, magazine, etc. but please try to use a reading that pertains to history. Once you have read for 20 minutes write a 1 paragraph summary of what you read. Please be sure to include the title, author, and who, what, when, where and why in your response. **Note:** Today is the first day of Spring Turkey Season in West Virginia (4/20/20). If you happen to get a turkey feel free to send me a picture! Good luck and be safe!

**Packet Activity 18:** For packet 18 I would like you to report on a current event. You may get the information about your current event from the TV, newspaper, radio, internet, etc. After gathering your information I would like you to answer the following questions on a sheet of paper: 1) What was your current event about? 2) How does this current event impact you? 3) How does this current event impact our community/school 4) How could I learn more about your current event?

**Packet Activity 19:** For packet 19 I want you to go on a scavenger hunt looking for “historical or old things.” You can look in your house, your property, or anywhere in Randolph County. I would like you to use a sheet of paper to write down at least 5 items that are historical or old that you find. You also need to describe the item, what you think it was used for, and is there a modern item that serves the same purpose. An example would be: I found an old skeleton key at my house. It is long and skinny and looks to be made of brass. This key was used to open older style locks and doors in the 1800’s-1940’s. Today we have modern keys that serve the same purpose, but look different and are flatter and usually smaller.

**Packet Activity 20:** For packet 20 we are going to use some creative thinking. For this activity I want you to pretend that we could go back in time before this virus hit the United States. I want you to write out a list of plans or things the United States or you individually could do to prevent everything we have been experiencing so far. There is no right or wrong answer to this, I just want you to use your mind to solve a real world problem and think about what we could have done more of or done better to help prevent the massive spread of this virus. You can write your answer in paragraph form or you can make a list of 10-15 things we could have done.

**Packet Activity 21:** For packet 21 I would like you to answer the following question honestly: Are you ready to come back to school yet? Why or why not? (Please put some thought into this and provide 1-2 paragraphs).