

### Mesopotamian News Broadcast of the Gods

Imagine that you are a scribe in ancient Mesopotamia who has been put in charge of creating a news broadcast about the activities of the gods. Using your background knowledge of ancient Mesopotamian spiritual beliefs, you will create a PowerPoint presentation about the activities of the main gods listed below. Your presentation should contain all of the following aspects:

- 1.) Create an introductory slide that identifies: 1.) your news stations' name (be creative), 2.) the name of your news story, and 3.) the name of the news castor delivering the story (your name).
- 2.) Create a slide for each of the following Mesopotamian gods:  
-An, Enki, Ninhursag, Enlil, Ninurta, Nanna, Ishkur, Nergal, Inanna, and Utu.
- 3.) Each god's slide should contain the following aspects:
  - A.) A creative headline that identifies what the newscast is about.
  - B.) A brief news story that explains what the god is doing.
  - C.) A picture or image that corresponds with the story (picture of the god, map of the god's city, picture of the god's activity, etc.).
- 4.) Create a concluding slide that summarizes the overall news broadcast about the gods' activities.
- 5.) Create a bibliography slide that cites (gives credit) to any of the pictures or images you use.
- 6.) Be sure to read over your presentation and check for grammatical and spelling errors.
- 7.) If time permits, add transitions between your slides, special effects on each slide, and sound to the overall presentation.

The Mesopotamian News Broadcast of the Gods will be due at the end of class on \_\_\_\_\_, so plan your time accordingly. Your grade will be based on how well you complete the above criteria, your overall use of class time in the computer lab, and the amount of creativity you put into your news broadcast (see attached grading rubric for specific point distributions).

### Mesopotamian News Broadcast of the Gods Rubric

- \_\_\_\_\_/15      *Broadcast contains an introductory slide that identifies the news station, name of the news story, and the name of the news castor.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the god An, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the god Enki, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the goddess Ninhursag, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the goddess, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the god Enlil, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the god Ninurta, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the god Nanna, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the god Ishkur, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20      *Broadcast has a slide for the god Nergal, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*

- \_\_\_\_\_/20 *Broadcast has a slide for the goddess Inanna, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the goddess, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20 *Broadcast has a slide for the god Utu, that contains the following aspects: 1.) a headline that identifies what the news broadcast is about, 2.) a brief news story that explains the activity of the god, and 3.) a picture or image that corresponds to the story.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/15 *Broadcast contains a concluding slide that summarizes the overall broadcast about the gods' activities.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/10 *Broadcast contains a bibliography slide that cites (gives credit) to any of the pictures or images that were used.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/10 *The overall news broadcast contains no grammatical or spelling errors.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/25 *Used class time in the computer lab effectively.*
- \_\_\_\_\_/20 *Broadcast has transitions between slides, special effects on each slide, and sound (EXTRA CREDIT).*

Total \_\_\_\_\_/275                      \_\_\_\_\_ %                      \_\_\_\_\_ Letter Grade  
Points

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