

# 6.5. Website

A website is a collection of interconnected web pages that uses multimedia to communicate your historical argument, research, and interpretation of your topic's significance in history.

### **WEBSITE ELEMENTS**

- E1.
- Your website must be an original production.
- ▶ Your website must reflect your ability to use website design software and technology.
- ▶ To construct a website, you must have access to the internet and appropriate software and equipment.
- ▶ Your website must conform to all general and category rules.

## **ENTRY CREATION**

- Your entry must be constructed using the NHD website editor: nhd.org/nhdwebcentral.
- ▶ You may use professional photographs, graphics, video, recorded music, etc. within the site. Such items must be integrated into the website, and must be credited within the site and cited in the annotated bibliography.
- **E2**.
- ▶ You must operate all software and equipment in developing the website.
- ▶ All pages must be interconnected with navigational links.

NOTE: Using objects or content created by others for specific use in your entry violates this rule. For example, adding viewer comments or using a graphic that others produced at your request is not permitted. However, using graphics, multimedia clips, etc. that already exist is acceptable.

#### SIZE REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ Website entries may contain no more than 1,200 visible words that you write. See Figure 3 (p. 21) for word count instructions.
- ► The following words **DO** count:
  - > Text that you write, including captions, graphs, timelines, multimedia, etc.
- ▶ Words used in the following **DO NOT** count:
  - > Code used to build the site and alternate text tags on images
  - > Required source credits
  - > Recurring menus, titles, and navigation instructions
  - > Primary or secondary materials or quotes
  - > Required home page inclusions (Rule E4, below)
  - > The annotated bibliography and process paper, which must be included in the site

NOTE: NHDWebCentral™ will limit your entire site to 100MB of file space.

#### **HOME PAGE**

- ▶ One page of the website must serve as the home page (Figure 7, p. 36).
- Include the following on your home page:
  - Your name(s)
- > Entry title
  - Division and category
  - > Number of visible, student-composed words in the website
  - > Total length of multimedia
  - > Number of words in the process paper
  - > The main menu that directs viewers to the various sections of the site
- ▶ The home page must not include the name of your teacher or your school.

## **DOCUMENTS AND MULTIMEDIA**

- ▶ The website may contain multimedia clips (audio, video, or both) that total no more than three minutes (e.g., use only one three-minute clip, three one-minute clips). Included in the three-minute total is any music or songs that play after a page loads.
- You may record quotes and primary source materials for dramatic effect, but you may not narrate your own compositions or other explanatory material.
- ▶ If you use any form of multimedia that requires a specific software to view (e.g., Flash, QuickTime, Real Player), you must provide on the same page a link to a website where the software is available as a free, secure, and legal download.
- You may not use content that is hosted on an external website or link to external websites, other than described in the preceding bullet.
- Judges will make every effort to view all multimedia content, but files that cannot be viewed cannot be evaluated as part of the entry.

E4.

E5.

E3.

E6.	CREDITING SOURCES
	All quotes and visual sources (e.g., photographs, paintings, charts, graphs) must be credited on the website and cited in the annotated bibliography.
	You must remove the hyperlink from all URLs listed within a website's on-screen source credit.
	Source credits do not count toward the word total.
	See nhd.org/annotated-bibliography for more information and examples.
E7.	REQUIRED WRITTEN MATERIALS
	➤ Your annotated bibliography and process paper must be included as an integrated part of the website.
	> They must be in PDF format.
	> They must be included in the navigational structure.
	NOTE: Extensive supplemental materials are inappropriate. Oral history transcripts,
	correspondence between you and interview subjects, questionnaires, and other primary or
	secondary material used as sources for your website should be cited in your bibliography, but
	not included as supplemental materials on your website.
E8.	STABLE CONTENT
	► The content and appearance of a page cannot change when the page is refreshed in the browser. Random text or image generators are not allowed.
E9.	VIEWING FILES
	► The pages that comprise the site must be viewable in a recent version of a standard web browser (e.g., Microsoft Edge, Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari, Google Chrome).
E10.	SUBMITTING ENTRIES FOR JUDGING
	For access to NHDWebCentral and up-to-date submission procedures, please visit <b>nhd.org/nhdwebcentral</b> .
	You must submit the URL for your website to the Contest Coordinator in advance by the established deadline.
	▶ Because all required written materials are included in the site, no printed copies are required.
	Refer to your Contest Coordinator for any additional submission instructions.
	Websites are locked during judging; you will not be allowed to edit your site beginning at the submission deadline and continuing through the end of the contest.

## FIGURE 7. SAMPLE WEBSITE HOME PAGE

