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**Myth of America- Part 1**

The story of Romulus and Remus was created to explain how the Roman Empire was founded. Although it is not real, it makes the Romans look tough and proud of their *ancestors* (people who lived before them). It is an example of a myth/legend.

**Your assignment is to write a myth/legend about how the United States was founded**. It could be partially true or all made-up (fiction), as long as it makes us as Americans proud of our ancestors. If you wanted to use historical names, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Benjamin Franklin are a few of the founding fathers.

Your myth should include: Check off when completed.

* Details or events that make us proud of our ancestors \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Remember, this is a myth so it should be mostly fiction.
* 3 paragraphs (make sure you indent) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Think of it as a story with a beginning, middle, and end.
* At least 5 sentences per paragraph \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + I won’t take points off for spelling, but your classmates will need to read it

You are going to proof read with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (classmate’s name). Share your document but only allow them to comment. Your objective is to give at **least 3 positive comments and 3 ideas for improvement.**

**Myth of America- Part 2**

Now that you have written your myth, revise and edit your writing to prepare it as a final draft. This means checking for **capitalization**, **punctuation**, and **spelling**.

You also need to add a total of 4 examples of figurative language in your story. You can use 1 of each, the same one 4 times (kind of boring though), or ones that aren’t listed. Here are some examples.

* Simile-compare/connect two ideas with like or as “fast as lightning”
* Metaphor-compare/connect two ideas without like or as “rock hard fist” or “ocean blue eyes”
* Onomatopoeia-words that sound the same as they are spelled “boom” or “crash”
* Personification-giving things that aren’t alive human abilities “the tree branch jumped out and tripped me”

Your myth’s final draft should include: Self-Assessment For Mr. Strezo

* Details or events that make us proud of our ancestors \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5
* 3 paragraphs- beginning, middle, and end (make sure you indent) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5
* At least 5 sentences per paragraph \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5
* Underline or highlight4 examples of figurative language \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/5

Total: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/20