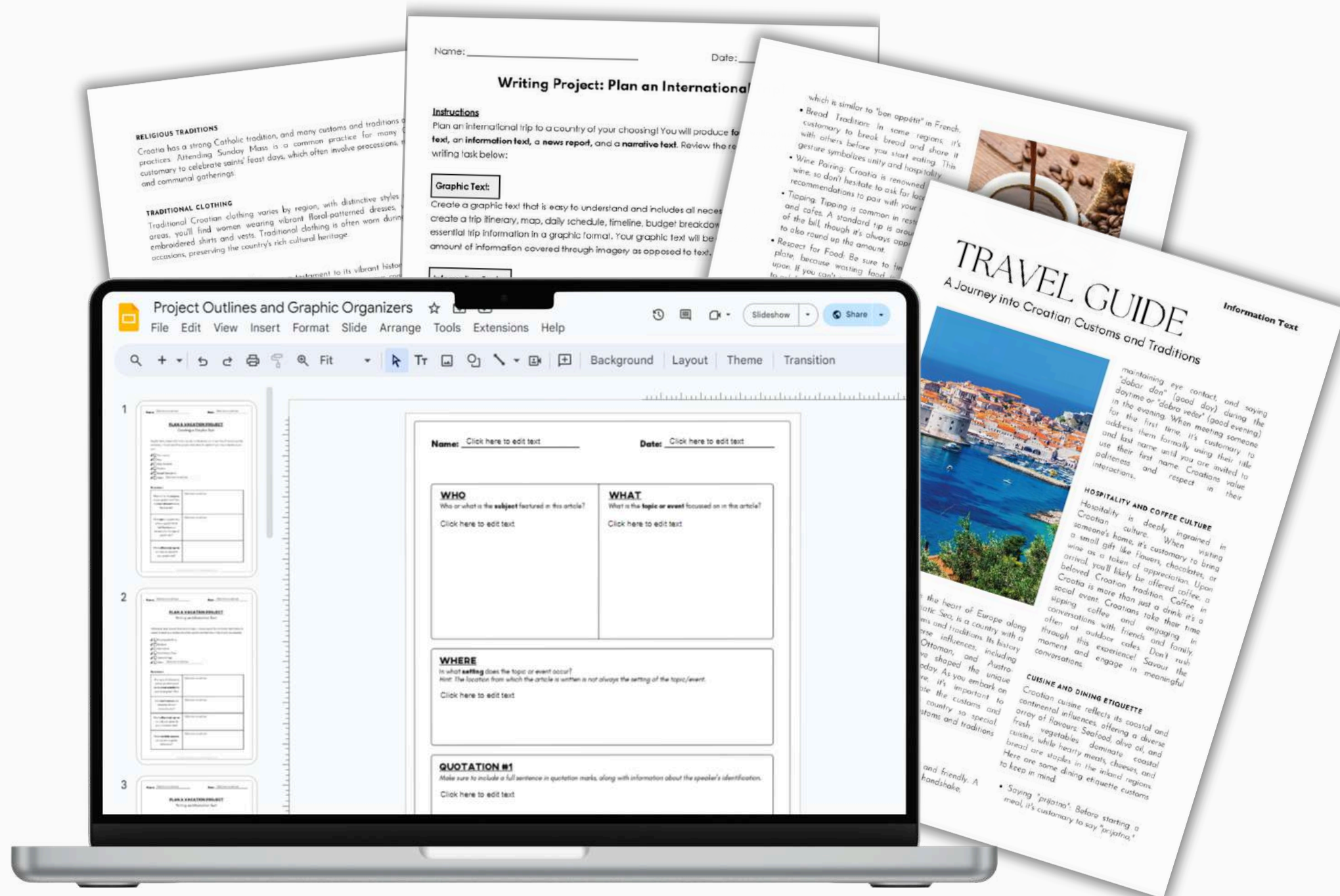


Project-Based Learning: Trip Planning

This project-based writing assignment features four tasks that will invite students to explore the world without leaving your classroom



- Guide students through a structured writing journey with **narrative text, news report, infographic, and information text assignments**
- Scaffold learning with **ready-to-use graphic organizers** to support each writing task
- Provide real-world connections by encouraging students to **research culture, geography, politics, and current events** for their destination of choice!

Embark on an adventure with this vacation planning literacy project!

PURCHASE HERE

See what others are saying...

Here's what teachers like you are loving about this **Plan a Vacation Project!**

 **Amazing resource**

I used this with Grade 12 students in a literacy course. It was part of their final assignment, and it hit on all the things I needed it to do. Clear instructions and well-designed materials. Plus, it helped incorporate student choice because everyone picked a different place to explore. Thanks for making life easier!

– Lesa S.

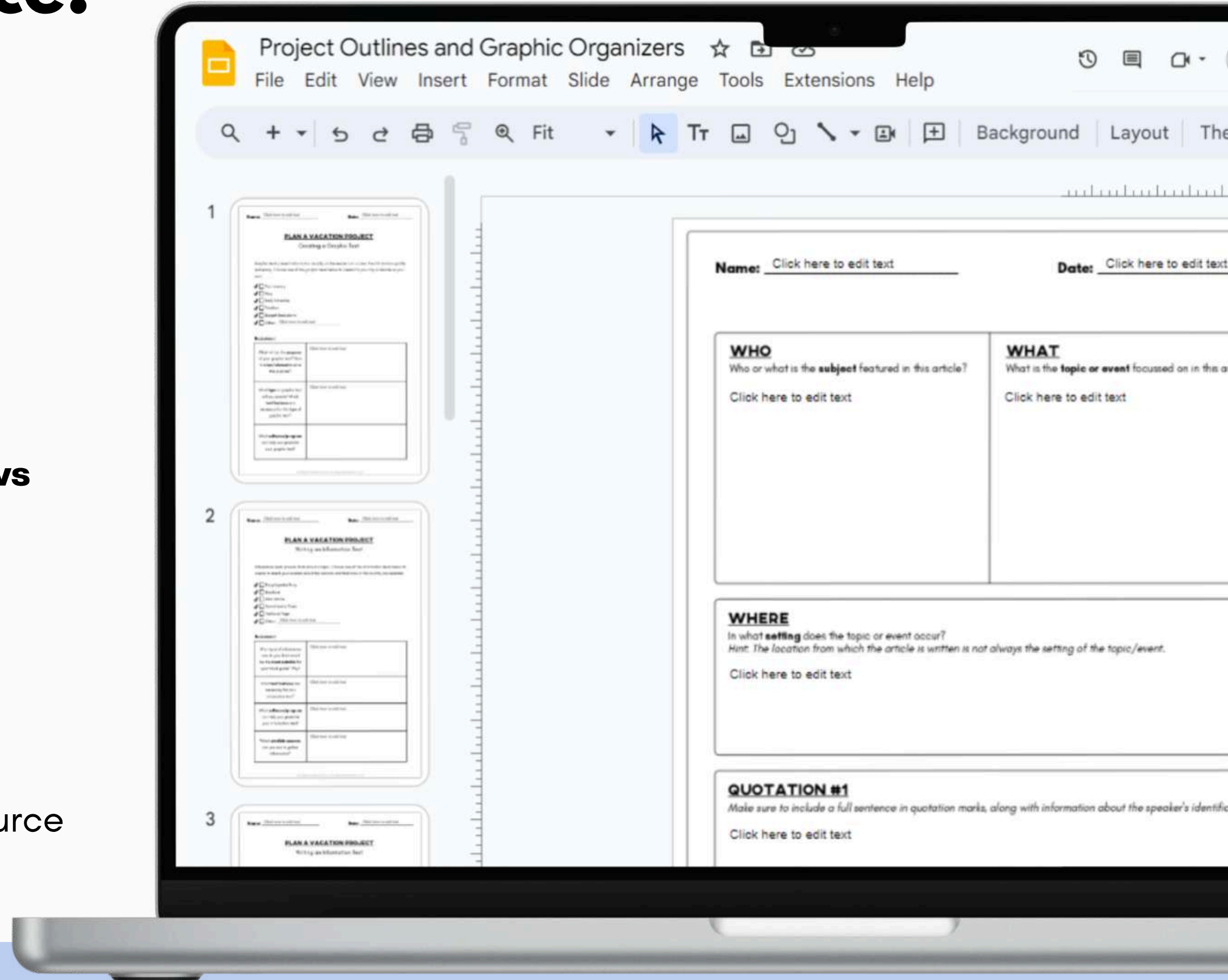
 **Great Resource**

This was a great turn key resource to use! I will use this again next year! My students enjoyed this material, and it was easy to implement.

– Pedro D.

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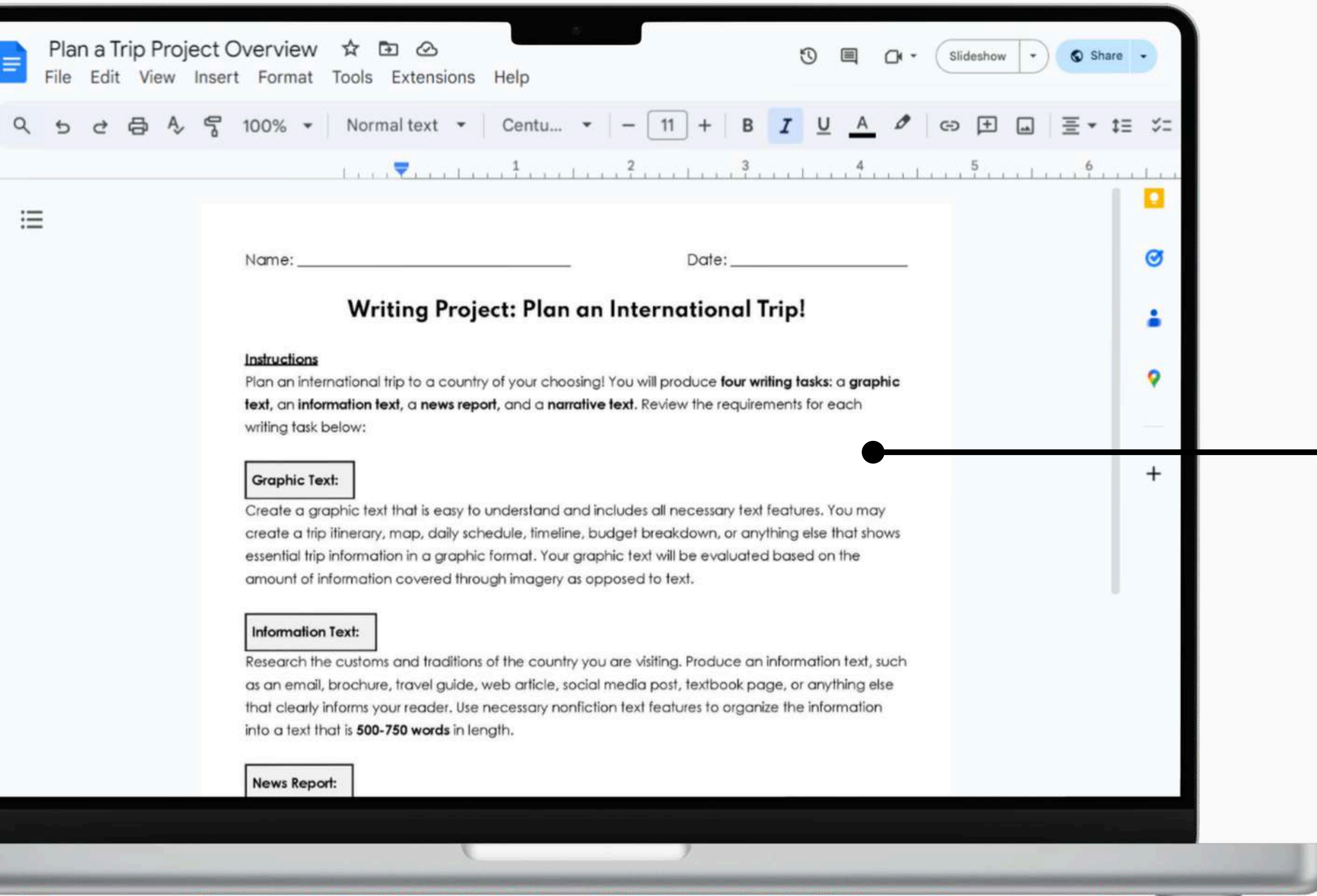
- ✓ Editable Plan a Trip **Project Instructions**
- ✓ **Writing Frameworks** for Each Writing Task
 - **Information Text** Graphic Organizer
 - **Narrative Text** Frameworks
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 - W5H Graphic Organizer for **Writing a News Article**
- ✓ **Editable** 4-Level Writing **Rubric**
- ✓ **Student Example**
- ✓ **Teacher Instructions** for how to use this resource



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Plan a Trip Project Instructions

These editable instructions provide students with an overview of each writing task included with this project-based learning assignment



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Plan a Trip Project Overview ☆ 📁 ☁

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Writing Project: Plan an International Trip!

Instructions
Plan an international trip to a country of your choosing! You will produce **four writing tasks**: a **graphic text**, an **information text**, a **news report**, and a **narrative text**. Review the requirements for each writing task below:

Graphic Text:
Create a graphic text that is easy to understand and includes all necessary text features. You may create a trip itinerary, map, daily schedule, timeline, budget breakdown, or anything else that shows essential trip information in a graphic format. Your graphic text will be evaluated based on the amount of information covered through imagery as opposed to text.

Information Text:
Research the customs and traditions of the country you are visiting. Produce an information text, such as an email, brochure, travel guide, web article, social media post, textbook page, or anything else that clearly informs your reader. Use necessary nonfiction text features to organize the information into a text that is **500-750 words** in length.

News Report:

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Worksheets and Graphic Organizers

This project outline scaffolds the writing tasks with detailed worksheets and graphic organizers

Guide students through each step of the **writing process**

PLAN A VACATION PROJECT
Creating a Graphic Text

Name: _____ Date: _____

Graphic texts present information visually, so the reader can access the information quickly and easily. Choose one of the graphic texts below to create for your trip or decide on your own:

- Trip Itinerary
- Map
- Daily Schedule
- Timeline
- Budget Breakdown
- Other: _____

Brainstorm:

What will be the purpose of your graphic text? How to visual elements serve this purpose?	
What type of graphic text will you create? Which text features are necessary for this type of graphic text?	
What software/program can help you generate your graphic text?	

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PLAN A VACATION PROJECT
Writing an Information Text

Name: _____ Date: _____

research notes before writing your information text below:

Customs	
Text Evidence	Explanation

Traditions	
Text Evidence	Explanation

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PLAN A VACATION PROJECT
Writing a News Report

Name: _____ Date: _____

current events. After researching, use the graphic organizer news report about an event related to your travel destination.

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PLAN A VACATION PROJECT
Narrative Text

Name: _____ Date: _____

the narrative texts below to create to tell a story international trip.

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Model Expectations with a Student Example

This example features a vacation to Croatia with a magazine article, news report, diary entry, and travel itinerary infographic

Information Text

TRAVEL GUIDE

A Journey into Croatian Customs and Traditions



maintaining eye contact, and saying "dobar dan" (good day) during the daytime or "dobra večer" (good evening) in the evening. When meeting someone for the first time, it's customary to address them formally using their title and last name until you are invited to use their first name. Croatians value politeness and respect in their interactions.

HOSPITALITY AND COFFEE CULTURE

Hospitality is deeply ingrained in Croatian culture. When visiting someone's home, it's customary to bring a small gift like flowers, chocolates, or wine as a token of appreciation. Upon arrival, you'll likely be offered coffee, a beloved Croatian tradition. Coffee in Croatia is more than just a drink; it's a social event. Croatians take their time sipping coffee and engaging in conversations with friends and family, often at outdoor cafes. Don't rush through this experience! Savour the moment and engage in meaningful conversations.

CUISINE AND DINING ETIQUETTE

Croatian cuisine reflects its coastal and continental influences, offering a diverse array of flavours. Seafood, olive oil, and fresh vegetables dominate coastal cuisine, while hearty meats, cheeses, and bread are staples in the inland regions. Here are some dining etiquette customs to keep in mind:

- Saying "prijatno": Before starting a meal, it's customary to say "prijatno."

GREETING CUSTOMS

In Croatia, greetings are warm and friendly. A typical greeting consists of a firm handshake,


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News Report

Croatia's Commitment to Sustainable Tourism Shines Amidst Global Concerns

The country's latest initiative focuses on preserving culture and geography while catering to tourism's demands.

Emile Berg
Sep 17, 2023



ZAGREB - Amidst the backdrop of growing concerns about over-tourism and its impact on fragile ecosystems worldwide, Croatia has emerged as a pioneer in promoting sustainable tourism practices. The initiative was launched this month and aims to preserve its pristine coastal regions and cultural heritage while accommodating the desires of an increasingly discerning traveler.

The initiative comes as a response to the rapid rise in tourist arrivals over the past decade, particularly along the picturesque Dalmatian coast. With the annual influx of visitors often surpassing the country's population, concerns were raised about environmental degradation, overcrowding, and cultural erosion. The government - in collaboration with local communities and environmental organizations - has introduced a multi-pronged approach to tackle these issues. The initiative includes:

- Visitor Caps: Some of the most popular coastal destinations have implemented visitor caps to control the number of tourists at any given time. This allows for a more enjoyable experience for visitors while reducing the strain on natural resources and infrastructure.
- Infrastructure Upgrades: Significant investments have been made to upgrade

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Narrative Text

DAILY JOURNAL

August 21, 2023 LOCATION: Dubrovnik, Croatia

a day filled with captivating sights and tranquil moments. The sun cast a warm glow as I began my exploration, and I couldn't help but look forward to what lay ahead.

iked off with a cable car ride to Mount Srđ, providing me with a panoramic view of the city, with its terracotta roofs and imposing city walls, was surrounded by the waters of the Adriatic Sea. It was a breathtaking scene that offered a glimpse into rich history and natural beauty.

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a refreshing swim to esc

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Graphic Text

CROATIAN Vacation Itinerary



DAY 1 Arrival in Dubrovnik
Dubrovnik's Old Town
Reception at the Ploče
Apartment

DAY 2 Explore Dubrovnik
Cable car ride to Mount Srđ
Stargazing
Night view of the city

DAY 3 Day Trip to Montenegro
History of the town
Prijatno Greeting
Our Ladies at the Rocks

DAY 4 Dubrovnik to Split
Transfer to Split
Dinner at the Ploče
Rooftops of the Old Town

DAY 5 Split and Trogir
Cathedral of Saint Domnius
The Ploče
Cathedral of St. Lawrence

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DAY 2 Explore Dubrovnik

DAY 3 Day Trip to Montenegro

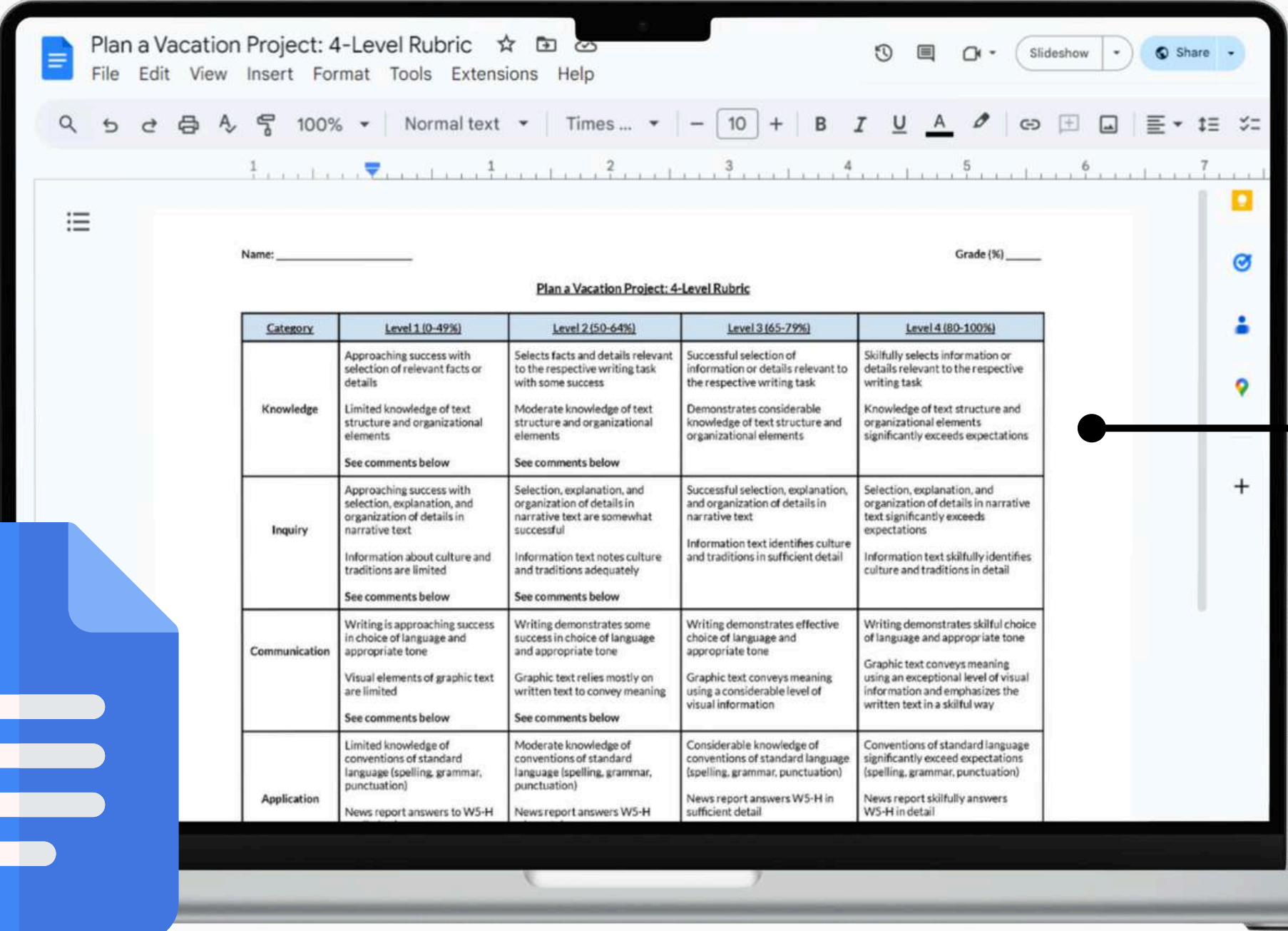
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Modify this rubric to meet the unique needs of your classroom



Name: _____ Grade (%) _____

Plan a Vacation Project: 4-Level Rubric

Category	Level 1 (0-49%)	Level 2 (50-64%)	Level 3 (65-79%)	Level 4 (80-100%)
Knowledge	Approaching success with selection of relevant facts or details Limited knowledge of text structure and organizational elements See comments below	Selects facts and details relevant to the respective writing task with some success Moderate knowledge of text structure and organizational elements See comments below	Successful selection of information or details relevant to the respective writing task Demonstrates considerable knowledge of text structure and organizational elements	Skilfully selects information or details relevant to the respective writing task Knowledge of text structure and organizational elements significantly exceeds expectations
Inquiry	Approaching success with selection, explanation, and organization of details in narrative text Information about culture and traditions are limited See comments below	Selection, explanation, and organization of details in narrative text are somewhat successful Information text notes culture and traditions adequately See comments below	Successful selection, explanation, and organization of details in narrative text Information text identifies culture and traditions in sufficient detail	Selection, explanation, and organization of details in narrative text significantly exceeds expectations Information text skilfully identifies culture and traditions in detail
Communication	Writing is approaching success in choice of language and appropriate tone Visual elements of graphic text are limited See comments below	Writing demonstrates some success in choice of language and appropriate tone Graphic text relies mostly on written text to convey meaning See comments below	Writing demonstrates effective choice of language and appropriate tone Graphic text conveys meaning using a considerable level of visual information	Writing demonstrates skilful choice of language and appropriate tone Graphic text conveys meaning using an exceptional level of visual information and emphasizes the written text in a skilful way
Application	Limited knowledge of conventions of standard language (spelling, grammar, punctuation) News report answers to W5-H are limited See comments below	Moderate knowledge of conventions of standard language (spelling, grammar, punctuation) News report answers W5-H adequately See comments below	Considerable knowledge of conventions of standard language (spelling, grammar, punctuation) News report answers W5-H in sufficient detail	Conventions of standard language significantly exceed expectations (spelling, grammar, punctuation) News report skilfully answers W5-H in detail

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