English research competence project 'Elizabethan England'

Step 1: ORIENTATION: formulating the main question of the research

A. Collecting information by 13 January 2014

In order to set the mood, we will provide you with as much information as possible on Elizabethan England. Take your time to read as much as you can in order to decide on a specific topic you would like to research. **Bear in mind that it has to be a linguistic topic or a topic linked to literature!**

→ Divide the work

List of interesting websites:

http://www.bardweb.net/england.html

http://www2.springfield.k12.il.us/schools/springfield/eliz/introelizperiod.html

http://www.elizabethan-era.org.uk/elizabethan-theatre.htm

http://www.open2.net/historyandthearts/arts/contemporary.html

http://shakespeare.palomar.edu/

http://internetshakespeare.uvic.ca/

http://www.william-shakespeare.info/

http://www.freeonlineresearchpapers.com/shakespeare-begot-disney

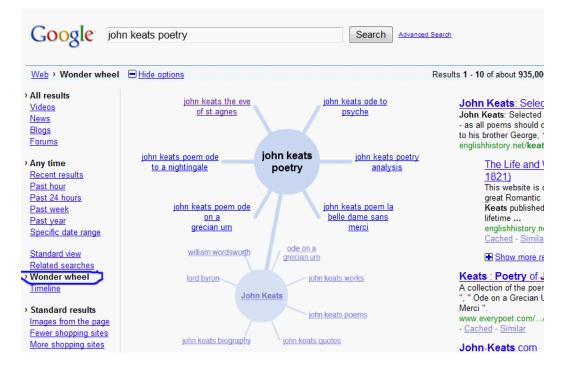
http://www.youtube.com/user/TheKennedyCenter#g/c/E6D676BF45D36980

http://usborne-quicklinks.com/uk/uk_homepage.asp

B. Deciding on the topic

After you have all read you part, decide on the topic that you all found the most interesting. In order to be able to formulate your specific research question, use the Google tool Wonder Wheel.

Select the *Wonder Wheel* option in the menu on the left. With *Wonder Wheel* you can create new wheels by clicking on one of the subthemes or branches of the original wheel. To the right of the wheel you will see all related articles in a list. Example:



→ Define your research question and your sub question

Make sure

- you are researching a linguistic or literary topic
 - you will be able to answer your question

→ Present them in a mind map. Start 20 January 2014 Go to <u>http://www.mindomo.com</u> (You will have to make an account first.)

→ Print the mind map and hand it in by 27 January 2014 => Process evaluation 1 (/10)

The teacher will decide whether your research question is ok.