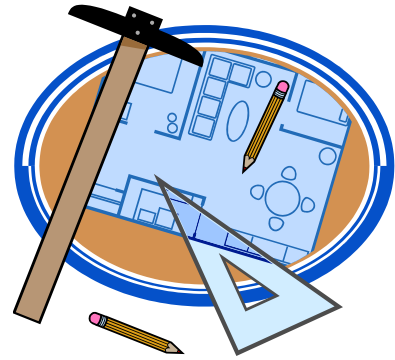


# Build Your Own *Optional Assignment*

Often I have students who make suggestions about the Optional Assignments I *should* have them do and it always reminds me that my students have a tremendous amount skill, talent and interests in a wide variety of areas. I'm always left thinking that it wouldn't hurt to allow them to tap into. That's why I've come up with the Build-Your-Own Optional Assignment.



With this Optional Assignment, you choose something that you think would be worth either 25 or 50 Optional Assignment points. You are limited only by your imagination here. I've had students go to *other* museums, create relief maps, build dioramas, make a docudrama . . . but those are only things students have thought about doing. If there is something that you enjoy doing and you can fit it into a history project, then you might consider it for a Build-Your-Own Optional Assignment.

To do this assignment, you must first complete a one-page proposal in which you spell out what you plan to do for the points you wish to have. The paper must be typed, double-spaced, 12 point Times-Roman font. Within five school days of submitting your proposal I will either accept, reject or suggest modifications to your project.

Good luck!