Hewitt Trussville Middle School
6th Grade E-learning Day Assignments

Note to Parents: E-learning day is one day of school instruction built into our calendar for emergency weather days. This day will count as a regular day of school, however these assignments are not completed at school during school hours. The lessons are created by teachers for students to complete in a virtual classroom completely online outside of school hours and time. Upon completion of these assignments, the student will receive credit for one day of school and receives graded credit for the assignments in their classes.

ALL ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN A 2-WEEK PERIOD FROM THE MISSED SCHOOL DAY DUE TO WEATHER.

Science
1. Students will select an article on a current catastrophic event. Specific catastrophic events include tornadoes, hurricanes, droughts, earthquakes, tsunamis, and floods.
   a. In order for it to be considered a current event, the catastrophic event should have taken place within the last year.
2. Students should use the following resources to find reliable and accurate information on their chosen catastrophic event.
   a. www.nytimes.com
   b. www.wn.com
   c. www.timeforkids.com
   d. www.sciencenewsforkids.org
3. After reading the chosen current event, the student will complete a one-page summary in paragraph form (3 paragraph minimum) including the following information:
   a. Type of Catastrophic Weather Event
   b. Date(s) of Event
   c. Location(s) of Event
   d. Why did the catastrophic event occur?
   e. Why was the impact so devastating?
   f. What problems occurred and how did they affect human lives?
   g. Was the city prepared for evacuation, and if so, how?
   h. Can you think of any solutions to minimize the impact of the catastrophic event?
4. Once completed, e-mail a copy of your summary to your teacher.
   a. rebecca.brown@trussvillecityschools.com
   b. abbie.copus@trussvillecityschools.com
   c. laci.gray@trussvillecityschools.com

Math
- Log in to www.ixl.com
- On 6th grade skills practice:
  - H2 (multiplying decimals) 1 - 15
  - H5 (dividing decimals/word problems) 1 - 15
Social Studies
CURRENT EVENTS WORKSHEET

Name: ____________________________________________ Period: ______
Topic of Article: ____________________________________________ Title of Article: ____________________________________________ Source: ____________________________________________

Directions: Find an article either in the newspaper or online from a newspaper source, Time.com, USA Today, The New York Times, CNN Student News, The Birmingham News, Google News, etc., or any other reputable national, state, or local source. Read the article and fill out the statements or answer the questions below. You may not use articles on Entertainment or Sports. Please find and read about important issues in our world today. Read the Rubric at the end of the worksheet to complete all the requirements for this assignment. Attach the article to the worksheet. Please staple in advance!

WHO is this article about? ____________________________________________

WHAT is this story about? List four facts related in your article and identify them as facts or opinions.
1. ____________________________________________
2. ____________________________________________
3. ____________________________________________
4. ____________________________________________

WHEN did this story take place? Does it have anything to do with past events or issues? Be careful and THINK! Explain. ____________________________________________

WHERE is this event or issue occurring? (Specify city, country, region, etc.)
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The Epic

an epic is a long narrative poem or story about a hero who belongs to a noble or royal family. In many epics, there is something supernatural or magical about the hero's birth and death? The hero's central motivation is to perform brave deeds, that will protect his people. Many of these brave deeds involve quests, or long difficult journeys hunting for a rare treasure, a magical sword, or a kidnapped princess.

Epic heroes sometimes fight other human beings they also battle monsters and spirits. An epick hero can win the day by fighting hard, behaving honorably, and protecting the innocent. Often the hero's enemy will suggest a trade and then try to cheat. That means the enemy's downfall is the enemy's own fault.

Some epic heroes of ancient literature is King Arthur of the Round Table, the Babylonian Gilgamesh, hercules, and Beowulf. In more recent times, Superman, Batman, and other superheroes from comic books had many qualities of an epic hero. Modern science fiction stories and movies often have main characters who possesses many traits of the classical epic hero