For this project you will be working individually. Your task is to take on the perspective of a voyageur (fur trader) during the fur trade in North America and create three primary sources telling me what it is like to live as a fur trader. These are the three primary sources you will be creating:

* A letter written to a family member or friend telling them all about your life as a fur trader: Do you like it or not? Why? What’s your favourite part? Your least favourite part? Do you miss home? Do you miss your family? (maybe you have a wife/husband and kids!) What are the conditions like (is it cold? Is it warm? What time of year is it? Where exactly are you right now?) Is it hard work? Much more you could talk about!!! Must be one full page in length.
* A diary/journal entry that tells what your everyday life is like as a fur trader: What is the weather like the day you are writing? What did you do all day? Were you canoeing or walking? Where are you headed to? What did you eat? Did you sing any songs? What are your feelings about the day? Did you see any wild life? Did you make a trade with any First Nations peoples? Have you fallen in love with someone? Write about him/her!! Much more you could talk about!!! Must be one full page in length.
* Song OR drawing OR poem: You must create an **ORIGINAL** song, drawing, or poem that has something to do with the fur trade. The drawing could be of the landscape that you see everyday, or a diagram of the canoe you paddle in – anything you’d like! Do research and use the information you find to inform your creativity.

YOU ARE A FUR TRADER IN THE 1800’s!!!! This means that you are no longer a student - you are a wild fur trader venturing throughout the wilderness to find First Nations peoples to trade with. Use your notes from class to help you! As well, we will be able to some research in the library if you feel like you need more information about what it would have been like to live as a fur trader. Remember, everything should be written in the first person - “I love being a fur trader. Everyday I get to be an adventurer and discover new places and people”.