

# Marilyn Monroe

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I like American history the best. I considered doing something that would have really interested me so I wasn't learning about something that I wasn't interested in. Marilyn Monroe was the first topic that I researched and I was fortunate enough to keep this topic as it fit the theme. I choose Marilyn Monroe because she was an icon and that topic fit in well with the NHD theme. When I first started researching I researched Marilyn's childhood and what inspired her to do what she did in her life. Marilyn Monroe is truly a very inspiring person and I have enjoyed learning about her.

When we started researching we used primary resources. We started researching some things we wanted to know about Marilyn Monroe and we would organize it from what it was about. For instance we were researching her death and everything that we found out kept together, and then we would move onto something different and keep all that together. When we were researching we were trying to figure out about Marilyn's affair with JFK and why not very many people knew about it. One of the websites that we found the most information on was Biography.com. We read Marilyn's personal journal and found out some information while we were reading. We requested an interview, but we never received a response. We think the most frustrating part about my research was finding out information about Marilyn Monroe and her affair with John F. Kennedy. We were reading about Marilyn's past marriages, which led us to learn about her affair with JFK.

We choose to create a website because we felt like it would have been easier to fit all of the things we wanted to put on it. Some skills that we have is being able to work together very

well and get along throughout the project. We chose to organize our information from the dates that it happened so that it all flowed together. We decided to do our home page, background information, triumph, tragedy, and then legacy because we liked the way it was set up and it made more sense.

Our topic fits triumph and tragedy because Marilyn Monroe has a bunch of triumph that had happened but also lots of tragedy that happened. Some tragedy that had happened when she was young was being split up from her mother when she was only a young child. Her mother had a mental illness and was unable to care for her. Marilyn was soon put into foster care. Marilyn suffered from depression and took pills to help her sleep. Marilyn overdosed on the pills she used to help her sleep. We have lots of triumph and tragedy for our project, such as her acting and modeling career. Our topic is still important to history because Marilyn Monroe was an American icon, she had inspired many people by what she did. Marilyn Monroe is still talked about to this day.