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Anthem Project
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Directions: Through new Geoforming technology you are able to create a new island (up to 1,000 square miles in surface area) anywhere in the world. The United Nations will furnish your island with any equipment, infrastructure, institutions, etc. you choose (within reason) as well as whatever people you choose (again, within reason). Your job is to completely develop a new civilization upon this island. This civilization must be either a Utopia or Dystopia. You will present your civilization to the class.

You will need the following for your civilization:

1. **Name**

Choose a creative and appropriate name for your new society. Explain your choice in a way that makes the reasons for the name clear. (1 paragraph)

2. **Declaration of Independence**

Write 2 – 3 paragraphs describing the reasons for your formation of this society. In other words, what is it that you don't like about the society in which you currently live? Why do you feel that you need to form this society?

3. **Leadership Style**

Decide upon the leadership style that you believe suits you best. Explain why you think it fits the new nation that you have created and the inhabitants within.

4. **Motto**

- a. Create a motto that all inhabitants of your society will follow. Explain the relevance of the motto. Examples:
"Strength Through Purity, Purity Through Faith" ("V for Vendetta")
 - i. "Community, Identity, Stability" (*Brave New World*)
 - ii. "We are one in all and all in one. There are no men but only the great WE, One, indivisible and forever" (*Anthem*).

5. **Flag**

- a. Create a flag that is representative of your society. Explain the relevance/symbolism of your flag.

6. **Map**

- a. Develop a visual of your island. This visual must include major cities, position on the globe, and geography/topography.

7. **Laws/Codes/Regulations**

- a. Develop a list of at least 15 laws or codes that all inhabitants must follow. The following should help you start your list:
 - i. How will the government be structured? Will you have a democracy, anarchy, dictatorship? Who will make the decisions?
 - ii. How are people informed?
 - iii. Can all have a say in how things are run? How do they give input to leaders?
 - iv. How are decisions enforced?
 - v. What are the rules for responsible behavior?
 - vi. Will there be a system of punishment for those who commit crimes? (You may want to develop a list of crimes and corresponding punishments)
 - vii. How will people be educated? What type of curriculum will you have?
 - viii. What moral codes will be taught to your citizens?
 - ix. Will all people be free? How free? Free to think? Free to hate? Free to be violent? Free to support any belief?

8. **Daily Itinerary or Advertisement (choose one)**

- i. How will utopia inhabitants spend their time? Develop a hypothetical schedule that community members might follow through a typical day.
- ii. Develop a written advertisement for your community. This ad should be complete with pictures that are representative of life in your utopia.

9. **Utopia/Dystopia Explanation**

- a. Explain in 1 – 2 paragraphs why the civilization that you have created is either a utopia or dystopia. Also, be sure to give the reasons that society thrived or crumbled due to the initiatives that you instated.