1. This year’s National History Day theme is: ________________________________

2. A Turning Point is about:
   _______________________________ and ________________________________

3. A turning point is a moment of: ________________________________

4. Types of Turning Points include:
   __________, __________, __________, or __________

5. What are the 3 parts that make/prove a turning point is significant?

6. What other events, ideas, or movements going on at the time can you look at to learn more about the historical context or what was going on at the time?
The Annual Theme
Take notes as you review the theme presentation.
Brainstorm ideas for your topic!

7. What are the two terms for before and after that appear on the judging rubric?  
________________________________________  _____________________________________

8. What 6 characteristics make a good topic?  
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9. List 5 topics that are interesting to you. These can be sample topics from the presentation or your own ideas.
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10. Narrow your topic. A narrow, focused topic will make it easier to research and present your ideas. Complete parts a and b with the topic that you are more interested in.
   a. Briefly explain how your topic connects to the theme. __________________________
   ____________________________________________
   b. Then, fill-in the blank funnel with the topic that you’re most interested in.

   Turning Points in History
   Women’s Voting Rights
   19th Amendment
   ?
   THEME
   AREA OF INTEREST
   TOPIC
   SPECIFIC THESIS
   You won’t know this when starting your project! Just keep in mind, that you will likely funnel your topic one more step with your thesis.