



Individual Task

You are living in Europe in the 14th century and the Black Death has struck your home hard. Your task, as a “reporter,” is to write a newspaper article OR produce an oral news report (in front of the class or recorded on video).

You are reporting about the Black Death, and must include the following elements:

- Where did it come from – how?
- Has it spread fast or slow?
- How many people have been infected, and how many have died/survived?
- Symptoms? Warnings to your readers/viewers.
- The impact that it has had on life (what has changed?).

Your notes and questions from the Work Stations Activity should help you to complete this assignment. You can also use pages 161-166 in your textbook.

REMEMBER: you are writing from the perspective of **a person living at that time**. Your report should reflect their beliefs and understanding at the time. (e.g. At that time they did not call it the Black Death, but rather the “pestilence, sickness, horrible plague”)

Criteria

- ✓ The report is written/presented in full sentences and from the perspective of someone in the 14th century
- ✓ It contains **historically accurate** information
- ✓ The report contains all required elements (mentioned above)