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Research Roadmap Grade 4, Unit 4

STEP 1: Big Question: Why do people work in teams?

Research Activity: Throughout the unit, you will be gathering information about projects that were successful because of teamwork. Choose one project to focus your research on, and create a process booklet. A process booklet shows how something develops, from beginning to end. Use graphic aids in your booklet.

Read the unit's Big Question and research assignment. Think about a successful project that required the work of more than one individual to do. This can be a project that was done in school, at home, in your community, or one that you know about. Write the project below in the form of a question.

My Project Question: How _____

STEP 2: Research

Research the project you identified in Step 1. Use a search engine to research safe Web sites. Or, for more information on Web sites to visit for this unit's Big Question, see

<http://treasures.macmillanmh.com/california/students/grade4/book1/unit4>

Use selections in your Student Book. You might also interview people who have been involved in team projects.

List your sources. Take notes from the sources you use.

Take notes:

STEP 3: Prewrite

Use your research notes to plan your process booklet.

Opening Paragraph: In your opening paragraph, describe the project. Include an engaging introductory sentence to draw in your readers.

Middle Paragraphs: Your middle paragraphs should identify the sequential steps that were taken to complete the project. They might also describe the roles of different people. You might choose to include one step of the project in each paragraph and, if possible, graphics to illustrate any steps of the process.

Use the Nonfiction Text Structure Writing Frames in your Practice Book or Content Reader as models of how to structure your writing and include transition words.
