**Age of Discovery Postcard and Trading Card Assignment**

**Due:**

Situation:You will be visiting 5 periods of history: the European Age of Exploration, the Renaissance, the Age of Religious Controversy (Protestant Reformation or Catholic Counter-Reformation), the Enlightenment (philosophy or science) and the Age of Absolutism. You are to examine an event occurring during each of the periods of history and write about them from the perspective of a historical figure from a DIFFERENT PERIOD (ex: Voltaire/Enlightenment writes to Catherine the Great/Absolutism). You will need to identify five historical figures (one from each of the eras mentioned above), and investigate their role and contribution to their time period.

**Each of your trading cards must meet the following specifications:**

* **Size 3x5 inches**
* **Must have a total of 5 biography trading cards. You should have one person from each of the following** 
  + **Age of European Exploration**
  + **Renaissance**
  + **Age of Religious Controversy (Protestant Reformation or Catholic Counter-Reformation)**
  + **Enlightenment (philosopher or scientist)**
  + **Age of Absolutism**
* **Must have a picture of the individual on the front**
* **Back side must have the following information:**
  + **Date (born-died)**
  + **Where they are from**
  + **Role in their era**
  + **Contribution to history**

**Each of your postcards must meet the following specifications:**

* **Size 5 x 8 index card**
* **A drawing, photo or picture on the front**
* **Significant, accurate and well-written information about people, places or topics being covered.**
* **It must be bound in some way (stapling the index cards is NOT an acceptable binding!)**
* **BE CREATIVE! REMEMBER YOU ARE WRITING AS A PERSON FROM 1 ERA TO ANOTHER!**