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Process Paper

We chose a topic related to communications used during the war, this is due to the huge impact a type of communication can lead on the outcome of the war. Communication during a war can hugely influence the results. It's very interesting to see how communication is not only as simple as talking, but codes can hugely influence communication. Codes are unique and one of a kind. The Navajo code talkers were an important part of World War II, and their collaboration implied their willingness, time, and effort they put to help the US Marines.

Communication is the theme, this represents many different forms of contacting others, and it can be shown in many ways. The Navajo Code Talkers used their abilities to communicate for an important historical moment. Not only is it showing communication and the historical viewpoint, but the detail and thought the code talkers put into their work. They demonstrated their work and loyalty through a form of communication. This communication wasn't simple, it was unique, creative and it represents this year's theme of communication.

We conducted our research by using primary and secondary websites. We gathered information from the National Archives, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and more. We found that national archives and sources from libraries were very helpful. We also included pictures of primary sources like letters, pictures, etc. At first, we looked for primary sources but they were hard to find. We had to find a way to explain how it was necessary for our research. Later on, we found some primary sources from the Gale In Context: High School source. We found reliable information on how speedy their communication was with the code. For example, one of the primary sources was a letter from General Clayton talking about the code talkers. I believe that the National Archives was one of the most helpful sources.

We created a website using NHDWebCentral. We shared a link then saved changes so we can see all the new work added. Then we organize the sections we do and add information on different parts of the website. Then put the thesis on the homepage to introduce the goal of the website. After that, we separated the different important details about the Navajo on different pages with a specific theme. Each page has its own information to support the fact that the Navajo Code Talkers were essential during the war.