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My group chose the First Crusade, in the beginning of November most 7th grade history classes. We were learning about feudalism, we decided that we wanted to do a club together and were both very passionate about this subject. My group took an approach to the theme as communication being very literal. We believe that the First Crusade could have been avoided if Pope Urban II would have not made his speech at Clermont.

How did you conduct your research?

We conducted our research by starting out with the resources our school provided us with, gale. We then expanded on that thought with more specialized searches and looking through the library of congress for primary sources and secondary sources.

How did you create your project?

My group used the National History Website Creator to create our submission as well as google docs to keep track.

What is your historical argument?

Our historical argument was that the First Crusade could have been completely avoided if the Pope wouldn't have had such a big impact on Europe.

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In conclusion, The First Crusade was an awful war that killed thousands, the effects of which are still reaching into the present day. Still the crusades could have been completely avoided had pope urban II had not given the speech. It impacted the core of Europe and the Middle East. The First Crusade killed many people in the Middle East and took important cities to win the war against the Muslims and the Jews. The crusaders eventually took the city of Jerusalem finishing their pilgrimage.

