

# Oral History Project A.P.P.L.E. Summer Regional 2013



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# Support Teachers

Vilíja 1, History Teacher

Vilíja 2, English Teacher



# Project Goals

- \* Learn and apply interview skills
- \* Understand history from a primary source
  - \* Note-taking skills using a variety of technologies
- \* Collaborate with peers by critiquing and editing written work
  - \* Synthesize notes into a narrative
    - \* The art of publication

# Phase One

Students identify three elders from family and community with regard to three historical time periods to interview over the summer.



# Three Historical Periods

1990 - present

1945 - 1990

1939 - 1945

# Phase One Instructional Practices

- *Built background* knowledge on project from Kenya *using technology*: Powerpoint, video and Skype
- *Created list* of possible interview questions in *small groups*
- *Modeled* interviews with teachers
- *Applied knowledge* by interviewing peers
- *Discussed and practiced written and spoken English* of the challenges and success of the project by *Skyping* with students in Kenya



# Phase Two



Students will interview elders over the summer  
and narratives are due January 15, 2014

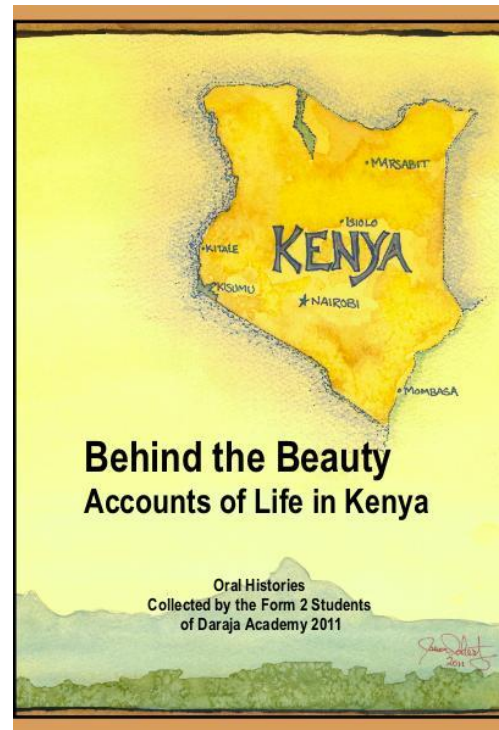
# Phase Two Instructional Practices

- *Direct instruction* regarding the *Stages of the Writing Process*
- *Peer-critique* and *peer-editing*
- *Small group and 1-1 conferencing* with students during the editing process
- *Use of technology*: Skype, Google docs, and video-conferencing to support student progress



# Phase Three

Compile narratives and publish the companion book in English and Lithuanian



# Phase Three Instructional Practices

- *Synthesize* interview notes and write narrative
- *Translate* from Lithuanian to English
- *Organize* narratives and photos
- *Work collaboratively* to *Create* book lay-out and design
- *Publish*

# Celebrate

Books will be published  
with support from the  
University of San Diego  
and distributed to all  
involved with the project in  
April 2014