Project- The Cuban Revolution of 1959

You will be working in groups of 3 or 4. Your project will involve research, planning, and presentation. Every member of the group must be involved in each step of the project. You will be creating a news interview, pretending that we are in 1959 or the early 60’s. You must assume the roles of the characters in your interview as well as the news caster doing the interview. Costumes are necessary for all.

Each group will be given an important political figure during the time of the revolution. We will spend four days in the library getting acquainted with our resources and finding our research. Some work will be done outside of class.

There are 6 topics/figures. Topics will be assigned to each group as a result of a random drawing. You should all find some background information on how Batista came into power as well.

The topics/figures:

1. Fulgencio Batista
2. Fidel Castro
3. Che Guevara
4. United States government official/s
5. Cuban doctor
6. Cuban grocery store worker

For the final product you need:
1. A video or in class presentation in English (8-10 minutes)
2. 5 questions about your presentation to ask the class
3. Bibliography that includes at least 4 online sources (at least one must be in Spanish!)
4. A timeline of important events according to your person on a small poster
5. One paragraph in Spanish (to be written in class after the presentations) to tell your side of the story.