Outline for a 21st Century Unit

Select a topic and goals for the lesson

Day 1

* Present an emotional hook (a video clip, object, riddle, present a problem that needs to be solved, or something that will grasp their attention).
* Give background information
* Explain the project to students and present the rubric.
* Divide students into partner groups.
* Give students topics (include a list of “must haves” in the instructions).

Day 2

* This would be a double period in which students are required to research and create a Power Point explaining the topic and include required content. Anything left undone would have to be assigned for homework.

Day 3

* Have students give presentations. Let students know they should take notes because they will be tested on the presentations.

Day 4

* Wrap up presentations. Review key notes on all presentations
* Either give a pop quiz on these topics or quiz students on the following Monday.