# Mollusc Species Research Assignment

### This assignment is important because it will count as your TEST for the mollusc unit.

- That is a good thing!
- For those of you looking to increase your grade, this should be a fairly easy way to do it.

## Here's what you need to do

- Choose a mollusc species. A specific mollusc, not a class but a specific animal.
  - It can be any type- Bivalvia, Gastropoda, Cephalopoda
- Write a 1 page paper (or longer) that shows that you have researched your animal and learned about its characteristics.

#### • You must include:

- The scientific name of the animal
- A description of where it lives
- A description of its physical appearance- color, size, other unique features
- A description of your mollusc's body structure adaptations of the mantle (if any), shell (if any), modifications of the foot an how it uses it.
- A description of what your mollusc eats and any special adaptations it has to catch or eat food.
- A description of how your animal breathes- gills or lungs
- A description of the animal's circulatory system- open or closed, 1 or more hearts
- A description of the animal's senses or special sensory adaptations
- A bibliography of sources -2 or more, at the end of the paper

#### More of what you need to do

- This assignment will be due on Monday November 17<sup>th</sup>.
- When you are done, please either print your paper and bring it in or submit it using Google Docs.
  - Send to <u>MillerBEHS@gmail.com</u>
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- Please talk to me if you have any questions
- Have fun and enjoy learning about animals!