MATH 303 PRESENTATIONS Mar 19, 2008

The first project in Math 303 will be a presentation on the history of math in a culture we do not cover in detail in class. This mostly means non-western cultures.

The presentations will be 30 min long with an additional 5 min for questions. They will be prepared and given in teams of two. Both members of the same team will get the same score for the presentation. So it is essential that you function well as a team.

The presentation will account for 10% of your grade in this class. You will be graded on how well you understand your topic, how accurate, clear, effective, and well-prepared your presentation is, and how well you answer questions.

Here is the timeline:

Mar 26: Teams and topics of presentations are due

Apr 11: A brief outline of the presentation is due

Apr 16–Apr 23: Presentations are given

Here are some potential topics:

- Egyptian mathematics
- Mesopotamian mathematics
- Chinese mathematics
- Japanese mathematics
- Indian mathematics
- Aztec and Mayan mathematics
- Incan mathematics

These are just some of the major cultures on which you are likely to find literature. You are welcome to pick one that is not listed.

Your main resource for this project is the library. You can use the internet too, but as a serious scholar, you should carefully verify the reliability of the information you find there. In any case, you must properly reference all your sources.