**Absolutely True Diary of a Part Time Indian Research Assignment (Part One)**

**Essential Question:** Is it morally acceptable to use Native American mascots in American sports?

* Research Prompt #1: What are the historical meanings behind some well-known mascots, names, and logos?

**Background Definitions:**

• Mascot: A person, animal, or object adopted by a group as a symbolic figure meant to bring them luck

• Logo: A recognizable image used by an organization (company, team, etc.)

**Assignment Directions: Fill out the information below in the spaces provided for you .**

1. Chose two well known mascots with Indian references as the mascot and/or in the logo design and write them down here under “B” and “C” (the other must be the Washington Redskins) along with a written description of the logo.

A. Mascot Name: Washington Redskins / Organization Type: Professional Football Team

In your own words, describe the logo here:

What types of qualities does the mascot/logo combine to say about the team?

B. Mascot Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

In your own words, describe the logo here:

What types of qualities does the mascot/logo combine to say about the organization?

C. Mascot Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

In your own words, describe the logo here:

What types of qualities does the mascot/logo combine to say about the organization?

2. Do some research and write down the following:

A. How did Mascot A get its name? Website Url: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Paraphrase Website Quote(s):

B. How did Mascot B get its name? Website Url: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Paraphrase Website Quote(s):

C. How did Mascot C get its name? Website Url: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Paraphrase Website Quote(s):

3. Prediction: Do you think Native Americans might find any of these offensive? Why? Justify your prediction with analysis.