**The Five Stages of Project Planning**

**Reflection:**

*Remember that reflection takes place over the course of the project, not just at the end! Reflect frequently in your Process Journal, and that will not only help you over the course of the project, but it will help in your final reflection process at the end of the project*

* Think about and describe what happened over the course of your project
* What did you learn – about your topic, about project planning, about yourself as a learner – over the course of your project
* Discuss your thoughts and feelings
* Try to place your experience in a larger context
* Consider how you would improve the project
* Identify questions you answered over the course of the project, and those that remain
* Encourage comments from those who worked with you over the course of the project
* Receive feedback

**Demonstration**

* Report on your project to peers/the panel/family
* Consider how best to showcase your product and your learning
* Write and practice your verbal presentation
* Use your Weebly as a resource for collecting all the documentation for your project

**Inventory and Investigation:**

* Using the Personal Inventory, determine your interests, skills and talents
* Consider your scheduling availability and the resources you have available
* Brainstorm different topics and ideas that speak to you

**Preparation and Planning:**

* Consider the Global Context through which you want to explore your project
* Think about Principled Action: how will you incorporate the idea of benefitting other people into your project?
* Determine your research plan. What information will you need? How will you use the different MISO components to find information?
* Develop a plan with regular checkpoints to ensure that you’re meeting your goals

**Action:**

* Conduct your research
* Use previously learned and newly acquired academic skills and knowledge
* Track your progress in your Process Journal
* Ensure that you’re meeting your checkpoints with your teacher and project mentor
* Create your product