1.0 Mid-term project

Your mid-term project is to write to a letter of enquiry to a foreign company. You are free to decide what product or service you are interested in.

2.0 Aim of the project

- 2.1 To have the experience of writing a real letter to an actual company.
- 2.2 To make a short presentation in English

3.0 Writing the letter

- You letter should be a minimum of 150 words.
- It should follow the guidelines given in the book for layout (see part one in the book) and style (see part three).
- You should use the <u>Practice Letter 4 in the on-line system.</u>
- This letter of enquiry will be *different* from the one you have already written. It might be to the same company but the contents should be <u>different</u>.
- You can write to the company as a private individual or you could write as if you are thinking of starting a business.
- You may want to ask:
 - For, a hard copy of their financial report for X (year).
 - For, a hard copy of their sales information for...
 - If they can send you a sample of...
 - Etc.
- Do not forget to keep your letter precise and specific.
- You are more likely to receive what you ask for if you write to a named person / specific department. That means you may need to spend time on the internet finding this information about who or what department to write to.
- You may send your letter as an e-mail *attachment* or by post.
- NOTE you cannot leave the assignment to the last minute. The company needs to have time to reply.

4.0 Presentation

- In class you should present your letter of enquiry. You should also present the reply from the business.
- Please come ready to use the computer and projector.
- Please print and bring your letter (and any response) to class.

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Everyone should be present during the presentations. By being present it tells me that you have contributed to the letter. I can only award marks in this case.

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