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Website

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When I began thinking of ideas for this project, I knew that I wanted to research something that affected a multitude of people and something relating to agriculture. Agriculture and food has always been a large part of my life growing up with grandparents who were farmers. I understood the struggle and dedication it took to harvest homegrown crops. With some consideration and help, my topic was eventually narrowed down to the Green Revolution. I am grateful to have chosen this topic because I now have a deeper understanding of how agriculture has been molded into the modern world.

Most of the information used to construct my project came from documented interviews with Norman Borlaug. I found this to be most useful because I was able to gain an understanding for the topic through the eyes of the influencer. I also found this information somewhat easy to find as he is well known for his work in the agricultural community.

In the 2018 National History Day Competition I wrote a paper but found out that writing a paper was not right for me. It was too long and there wasn't any interaction between the project and the viewer. I've had experience in the past creating websites through Weebly, and decided this year that making a website would be the best option for me.

The Green Revolution relates to the 2020 theme "Breaking Barriers in History". In this case, the barrier is the lack of food being produced in Mexico and other unsustainable countries. The barrier is broken when Norman Borlaug creates his dwarf wheat that holds multiple advantages over normal wheat. The Semi-dwarf wheat is able to grow quickly, handle intense fertilizers and it requires less labor to harvest, making it a more desirable wheat to harvest. Borlaug's efforts in helping to prevent famine are greatly appreciated all over the world.