

Portfolio Write # 1

1) Describe the three normative traditions of international affairs.

OR

2) Describe the Great Powers before the Paris Peace Settlement.

OR

3) Describe the immediate and fundamental causes of the First World War.

OR

4) To what extent was the Treaty of Versailles a fair and just peace.

OR

5) Describe the League of Nations, and evaluate its performance in maintaining world peace.

OR

6) Describe the key developments in European affairs following the Paris Peace Settlement, and describe French efforts to develop greater security.

Remember the following . . .

a) Answer the question using the command term!

b) Include an introductory paragraph with a thesis statement that is specific to the command term!

c) Organize your body paragraphs into themes that support your thesis.

*d) Provide as much content and specific information as possible in each body paragraph. **SUPPORT YOUR ARGUMENT!***

e) Include a concluding paragraph that restates your thesis and summarizes your supporting evidence.

f) Always brainstorm before writing a single word!

Essay Assessment Tool

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay contains an excellent thesis statement as directed by the command term. • Essay contains superior recall of factual content. • Essay contains a point of view that is supported with fully developed details, and exemplary evaluation and judgment. • Essay is organized in an effective manner. • Essay contains insightful conclusions. • Essay contains written expression that is clear with few flaws in communication.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay contains a strong thesis statement as directed by the command term. • Essay contains proficient recall of factual content. • Essay contains a point of view that is supported with good details, and sound evaluation and judgment. • Essay is organized in an effective manner. • Essay contains effective conclusions. • Essay contains written expression that is generally clear with few flaws in communication.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay contains a thesis statement as directed by the command term. • Essay contains competent recall of factual content. • Essay contains a point of view that is supported with satisfactory details, and satisfactory evaluation and judgment. • Essay is generally organized in a clear manner. • Essay contains adequate conclusions. • Essay contains written expression that is satisfactory . . . errors may distract from meaning.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay contains an attempt to form a thesis statement as directed by the command term. • Essay contains adequate recall of factual content. • Essay contains a point of view that is supported by simplistic details, and weak evaluation and judgment. • Essay attempts organization. • Essay contains weak conclusions. • Essay contains written expression that is weak . . . errors distract from meaning.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay contains a thesis statement that is not good enough, and may be absent or inaccurate. • Essay contains limited recall of factual content. • Essay contains a point of view that is supported by very minimal details, and no evaluation or judgment. • Essay lacks organization. • Essay contains no conclusion. • Essay contains written expression that is awkward . . . errors distract from meaning.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay does not contain a thesis statement. • Essay contains deficient recall of factual content. • Essay contains a point of view that is not supported by details. • Essay lacks organization. • Essay contains no conclusion. • Essay contains written expression that is full of errors making understanding difficult.