



Thematic Essay- Worksheet # 1

This is a practice essay question. You will not know the essay question which will appear on the exam.

Essay Directions: Write a well-organized essay that includes an introduction, several body paragraphs addressing the task below, and a conclusion.

Historical Context:

The ideas of the Enlightenment found their way across the seas into many of the European colonies in Latin America.

Pick **two** Latin American Revolutions and for each:

- Discuss the social classes and causes for the revolution.
- Discuss the events and background of the Revolution, identifying the leader involved, and the strategies they used in the revolt.

A) CAREFULLY READ THE ESSAY TASK ABOVE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS IN YOUR NOTEBOOK:

1. How many paragraphs TOTAL will you write in this essay?

2. How many BODY paragraphs will you write in this essay? Explain how you decided.

3. In your own words, describe each essay task

#1 _____

#2 _____

This is what you should do when you are faced with the thematic essay task:

1. Read the task a few times to make sure you understand it. Then read the task again to make sure!
2. Brainstorm and choose two Scientists you know the MOST about.
3. Make a “box outline” to organize the information for your essay. This will help you break down the essay task into several manageable parts.

B) ORGANIZING YOUR ESSAY

With your partner, use the “box outline” on the next page to:

1. In your own words, write each essay task in the provided space on the side of the box outline. **THIS IS WHERE YOU ARE BREAKING DOWN THE ESSAY TASK INTO MANAGEABLE PARTS.**
2. Write the name of the scientists on the left in the space provided.
3. Fill in each box with the correct information.

	Revolution # 1 (write it here↓)	Revolution # 2 (write it here↓)
Task 1- Rewrite the task here ↓		
Task 2- Rewrite the task here ↓		

Your HOMEWORK for tonight, is to turn each of these box outlines into two complete body paragraphs. Each body paragraph should address each essay task. You will be using these body paragraphs in the next class so make sure you complete your homework.

Essay Body

The body of the essay requires you to discuss specific examples for each task. It would be a good idea to spend one paragraph discussing each task. **YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO BRIEFLY USE SOME SORT OF GRAPHIC ORGANIZER ON THE EXAM (5 pts).**

Work with a partner to create a graphic organizer that will help you organize and outline your information. Your graphic organizer should do two things:

- 1. Help you identify the information you will use that answers the essay tasks.**
- 2. Group the information according to the body paragraph you will use it in.**