

Assessment

California History: 1700-1900

Name _____

Using the events on the California History timeline from 1700-1900, select the THREE Events you think are the most important from that time period. Write a five paragraph essay explaining why those three events are the most important events of those two centuries. You must include an outline of your essay, a first draft, and a final copy when you turn in your final version. Your essay will be evaluated using the following criteria checklist.

- _____ The essay has five paragraphs.
- _____ The first paragraph is an introductory paragraph.
- _____ There are three body paragraphs with three different events from the 1700-1900 time period.
- _____ The first body paragraph explains why the writer believes that event is one of the most important events of those two centuries.
- _____ The second body paragraph explains why the writer believes that event is one of the most important events of those two centuries.
- _____ The third body paragraph explains why the writer believes that event is one of the most important events of those two centuries.
- _____ The essay is free from spelling errors.
- _____ Each sentence is a complete sentence.
- _____ There are no run-ons.
- _____ There is punctuation at the end of each sentence.
- _____ Each sentence begins with a capital letter.
- _____ When the essay is read out loud, it makes sense.
- _____ The page has one inch margins all the way around.
- _____ Each paragraph is indented.
- _____ There is an outline of the essay.
- _____ There is a first draft of the essay.
- _____ The final copy of the essay is neatly handwritten.
- _____ The cadet's name, class period, and date are on the final copy of the essay.

FINAL GRADE:

- A = all 18 of the above criteria are met
- B = 16-17 of the above criteria are met
- C = 14-15 of the above criteria are met
- D = 12-13 of the above criteria are met
- F = 11 or less of the above criteria are met