

Topic:

How is your topic a turning point in history?

Introduction (Paragraph 1):

What will be your first sentence? Remember: Question, quote or startling statement:

Thesis Statement (Remember, it must contain a subject and an opinion):

Body (Paragraph 2):

Historical Background

Topic Sentence:

Notes: (What do you want to cover in this paragraph, remember the 5 W's!)

Body (Paragraph 3):

Topic Sentence:

Notes: (What do you want to cover in this paragraph, remember the 5 W's!)

Body (Paragraph 4)

Short Term/Long Term Impact

Topic Sentence:

Notes: (What do you want to cover in this paragraph, remember the 5 W's!)

Conclusion (Paragraph 5)

Concluding Sentence:

Name: _____ Hour: _____

PAPER Length: 1500-2500 words

TITLE

Title: A title is a description of your topic and is included in the word count. Think of something catchy that relates to your thesis.

INTRODUCTION

Thesis: A thesis is a description of what you are going to prove. A thesis is similar to a hypothesis. The thesis needs to explain how the topic relates to this year's theme – turning point in history. It draws conclusions about how the topic affected individuals, communities, nations or the world. The thesis is the foundation of your entire project.

BODY

Background Information. What key events happened before in history that influenced the topic? List the factual information in chronological order.

Build Up: Who are the major players and what are they up to? * *More specific to your topic than the background information section.*

Main Argument: What issue needed to be resolved? Who was involved, and why? What outcome did each side want?

Impact (Short/Long): **Short Term Impact:** Immediate reactions to the main event shortly after it happened. What changed? Who was affected? **Long Term Impact:** Why is this topic important in history? How is it a turning point? What is the long term significance? What were the intended/unintended consequences?

CONCLUSION

Conclusion: Describe how your evidence supported your thesis.

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Paper Outline

Paragraph #1 Introduction

Question, Quote, or Startling Statement- _____

Additional Information- _____

Thesis Statement- _____

Paragraph #2 Background Information

Topic Sentence- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concluding Sentence- _____

Paragraph #3 Build Up

Topic Sentence- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concluding Sentence- _____

Paragraph #4 Main Argument

Topic Sentence- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concluding Sentence- _____

Paragraph #5 Impact (Short & Long Term)

Topic Sentence- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concrete Detail- _____

Support- _____

Support- _____

Concluding Sentence- _____

Conclusion- Paragraph #5

Wrap it up!- _____

Lasting Thought- _____

Make it stand out!

1. Circle three adjectives and replace them with BETTER adjectives.
2. Highlight an example of figurative language? If you don't have one, add one!
3. Confirm that your thesis statement has a subject and opinion. Underline the subject once and the opinion twice.
4. Get rid of all the "you", "your", and "yours" in this outline.