Extended Response Writing DBQs & Thematic Essays

INTRODUCTION

- THEME -provide background information (when, who, where, what)
- THESIS -identify task without details (gist of paper)
- TASK SPECIFIC identify paragraph topics or answers to prompts

BODY PARAGRAPH(S)

- TOPIC SENTENCE –restatement of prompt (task) with answer or topic of paragraph
- DETAIL/EVIDENCE –provide details or evidence to support answer
- EXPLAIN –thoroughly explain how your answer supports the thesis (task)
- CONCLUDING SENTENCE –summarize the main idea of your paragraph

BODY PARAGRAPH(S)

- <u>cite</u> relevant details from the text, documents, or other resources (DBQs)
- provide a substantial amount of relevant information (details)
- use a variety of appropriate transition words

CONCLUSION

- RESTATEMENT OF THEME
- REFERENCE TASK SPECIFICS –identify task without details (gist of paper)
- LASTING IMPACT identify the significance and/or influence this had on the country

DBQ Tips:

- need to <u>cite</u> at least one more than half of the provided documents
 - using quotation marks to copy word-for-word from the text OR paraphrase information from a document
- thoroughly address all elements of the task (prompt) with many details

Thematic Essay Tips:

- thoroughly address all elements of the task (prompt)
 - make relevant and thoughtful connections to the <u>theme</u> using many details and thorough explanation

