

Social Studies Advanced Writing Projects

U.S. History

News Report

Imagine that you were a reporter at the time of a famous event in U.S. history. Write a news report about it.

Observation Report

Take a real or virtual tour of a famous site in American history and write an observation report about it. *Note:* If your school isn't a reasonable distance from a national historical site, visit a city or state landmark.

Business Letter

Write a business letter to a famous person in American history.

Letter to the Editor

Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper published in the days of the Revolutionary War. Write from the perspective of either a Patriot or a Loyalist.

Argument Essay

Take a position on a controversial event or moment in U.S. history.

Research Paper

Write a research paper about a topic in U.S. history.

World History/Culture

News Report

Write a news report about an important event in world history.

Observation Report

Take part in a tradition from another culture—a holiday, a ceremony, a meal—and write an observation report about it.

Proposal

Write a proposal to a city-state of Ancient Greece proposing a new sport be added to the Olympic Games.

Letter to the Editor

Write a letter to the editor in support of or against the Renaissance.

Argument Essay

Write an argument essay that proves _____ was the greatest ancient civilization. Use historical evidence to support your claim.

Research Paper

Write a research paper that explores one or more aspects of a world culture.

Government and Civics

News or Observation Report

Attend a city council meeting and write a report about it.

Proposal

Write a proposal to your student council.

Letter to the Editor

Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper on a topic of your choice.

Argument Essay

Write an argument essay that argues for or against a younger voting age.

Research Essay

Write a research paper on another country's system of government.

Geography

News Report

Write a news report about one of the five themes of geography.

Observation Report

Write an observation report about the physical geography of your state.

Letter to the Editor

Write a letter to the editor about the importance of human-environment interaction.

Argument Essay

Write an argument essay about a disputed territory or border.

Research Report

Write a research report about the geography and climate of your state.