

Influential Event

For your next essay assignment, you must choose one influential event in America's history and explain the reasons for the influence to your audience. You must clearly explain each reason in its own paragraph. You cannot use the Revolutionary War and the Civil War as your events because you have or will be writing essays over these topics in Social Studies.

Possible Event Ideas:

**Assassination of Lincoln
Vietnam War
Louisiana Purchase
Assassination of JFK
Landing on the Moon**

**Declaration of Indepen.
Emancipation of Slaves
Creation of Colonies
Great Depression
Civil Rights Movement**

**Women's Suffrage
Pearl Harbor
The Atomic Bombs
Korean War
Dust Bowl**

Audience: Your classmates and me

Purpose: To inform

Standards Addressed

Standard 8: *Informational Organization*

Standard 9: *Informational Ideas*

Standard 10: *Informational Style*

Standard 11: *Conventions*

Standard 12: *Research* (Optional)

Your essay must include the following:

- 1) An introduction**
- 2) A thesis**
- 3) Topic sentences (at least 3)**
- 4) Supporting details**
- 5) A conclusion**

See the class calendar for the schedule for this essay. All assignments can be found on the website or in Google Drive.

Your final draft with revisions is due by November 30th.