# Portfolio Reflection

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Choose items that you have created with your iPad throughout the year.

Your task is to highlight how you have learned the essentials of United States History in 5 different ***themes***.

**1. The main idea of the United States and how it is represented in our 2 founding documents**

**2. United States Geography and how the United States expanded**

**3. How the United States became a World Power through War**

**4. The Economy of the United States from its colonial beginning and how it came to be**

**5. The expansion of slavery and how states and the nation dealt with slavery (local and federal laws) and how the Nation would define itself after the Civil War**

- Your task will include a typed reflection of each of the 5 areas on different pieces of paper.
    - Each reflection will be at least two paragraphs
- A video-recorded reflection on your best work and how it represents your knowledge of the one of the ***themes*** which includes a *cropped* screenshot of your excellent work(s).

**How to write your paragraphs, and things to include:**

**Explain your work:** What did you do in the assignment. This is simple!
-**Give details:** about what you learned from the assignment. MORE THAN ONE DETAIL!
**Explain:** Why are you proud of this assignment?
**Explain:** How does this assignment relate to the theme you chose it for?

**Make sure you get your facts correct. Check in the book or with a trusted internet source**

**A good way to start your paragraph:**

I understand U.S. History through a theme of (*insert theme here*). I chose this (*name of assignment*) work to demonstrate my knowledge.

From there, the use Paragraph format (Detail-Support)

**Final Product will include:**

A two-paragraph write-up for EACH theme. This means 10 paragraphs total, but make sure they are separated by assignment.

**Advice from your teacher - READ THIS!**

This is a difficult assignment. It's meant to be - it is a summary of the entire year and a chance for you to show what you did and learned.

10 paragraphs seems like a lot of writing. However, think about this: Each of the 5 write-ups is basically the same format. Each write up uses the same format; the ONLY difference between each of the 5 write-ups is what assignment it talks about!

THIS MEANS that it will get easier after the first write-up - after the first one, you're just doing the same thing with a different assignment.

**Portfolio reflections will be graded on**

a. accuracy 25 pts
b. thoroughness 25 pts (Including Paragraph Format)
c. appropriate length 25 pts
d. presentation 25 pts

| **Video Requirements** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** |
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| Sound Edited | Sound throughout the video. Volume levels matched. Voices are distinct and clear. | Sound is mostly edited. Volume levels are mismatched in some places. | Voices cannot be heard in some places in the video. Soundtracks are misplaced. | Sound is not acceptable. Soundtracks play over each other or not at all. |
| Title and End Slides | Same Font and Slide Background | Slide backgrounds are mismatched. Fonts are mismatched. | Only one Slide is used. Font is mismatched. Original font is not replaced. | No Slides |
| Themes | Themes are answered completely with examples of student work | Only some of the questions are answered | There is not any evidence of planning. | The project does not show any understanding of the themes |