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WRITING ASSIGNMENT 2-2: THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

2 SKILLS ASSESSED ON THIS ASSIGNMENT:

- Analyze connections among events throughout history
- Organize evidence into a logical argument about the past.

DIRECTIONS:

Either in a Google Doc or on paper, **answer each of the following questions in its own paragraph.** Each paragraph is a skill grade.

1. From what you have learned and read about in class, what are the four parts of the Declaration of Independence? What does each do? Refer back to the text of the Declaration to make your points.
2. Using the four social studies themes (Social, Political, Economic, and Cultural), provide at least one example of each from the Declaration of Independence and explain why each example represents the theme you have chosen for it.

Below is how both paragraphs will be assessed.

Paragraph 1: Analyze connections among events throughout history

An "4" would include:	An "3" would include:	A "2" would include:	A "1" would include:
Several well-written sentences	Several understandable sentences.	Several sentences that could be written more clearly, but are still understandable.	Few sentences, or sentences that are unclear or hard to understand.
Answers every part of the question above.	Answers every part of the question above.	Answers parts of the question above, but not everything.	Answers little to no part of the question above.
Is accurate in its explanation	Shows little inaccuracy in its explanation.	Uses what you have learned in class so far.	Does not use anything learned in class.

Paragraph 2: Organize evidence into a logical argument about the past.

An "4" would include:	An "3" would include:	A "2" would include:	A "1" would include:
Several well-written sentences	Several understandable sentences.	Several sentences that could be written more clearly, but are still understandable.	Few sentences, or sentences that are unclear or hard to understand.
Provides examples from the Declaration of Independence of all four social studies themes with detailed and accurate explanation.	Provides examples from the Declaration of Independence of all four social studies themes with accurate explanation.	Provides examples from the Declaration of Independence of more than one social studies theme with accurate explanation.	Provides one or no examples from the Declaration of Independence of social studies themes that are accurate.