

**Instructions:**

In a paper format, address the following topic:

Analyze the extent to which the lives of TWO (2) of the following groups changed in the period 1865 – 1900 and account for the specific causes of those changes:

African Americans	Industrial Workers
Immigrants	Farmers
Native Americans	Businesspeople

**Format:**

Your paper should include:

- An introduction with a clear thesis (or main idea) that illustrates the changes in the lives of the two groups selected and overall causes for change;
- Supporting paragraphs that include **specific evidence** (names/dates/facts) and **analysis** (how/why significant);
- A conclusion that effectively wraps-up the argument without being repetitive;
- A works cited page in proper MLA format.
- **BIG HINT: READ THE RUBRIC!!! KNOW HOW TO WRITE AN "A" PAPER!!!**

Other requirements:

- Any sources used should be cited **in-text** and on the **works cited page**. Any information gained from an outside source, whether quoted or not, must be properly cited. Failure to do so is plagiarism. **Please see page 275 of your *Writers, Inc.* text for more information on plagiarism.**
- Margins should be set at 1" on all four sides;
- Standard fonts should be used and set at a rating of 10-12 points (no higher);
- The paper should be at least three (3) full pages, typed and double-spaced, and no more than six (6) pages;
- The paper must be in **proper MLA Format (use the *Writers, Inc.* text)**
- **Spelling/Grammar:** You are expected as a junior student in an honors course to write well. Proofread! Please refer to the Writing Advice document online, as well as the *Writers, Inc.* text.

**Sources:**

As a "free-response" paper assignment, the only required source (other than your own knowledge) is the textbook. **Information from the textbook must be cited in-text.** You may choose to do outside research if you believe it will benefit your overall argument.

**Submission Reminder:** Do not wait until the last moment to complete your work. Papers received after 7:50 on Monday, January 23rd will be marked late by Turnitin.com and will receive the appropriate point deductions. Furthermore, no longer will any other excuse be accepted (no parent notes). It is your responsibility to ensure that your paper is submitted on time and in the proper format. If you wait until the night the paper is due to finish the work, you are taking an unnecessary risk that the internet may be down, the power may go out, or that you will run out of time to properly plan, write and proofread your final work. **College professors do not accept excuses in this area, and in the spirit of preparing you for college (and life), I must enforce this rule.**

**Grading Rubric:**

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