

[Insert question] After reading _____ (literature or informational texts), write a/an _____ (essay or substitute) that compares _____ (content) and argues _____ (content). Be sure to support your position with evidence from the texts.

- **ELA:** What is courage in a time of war? After reading Stephen Crane's *Red Badge of Courage*, write an essay for peers that compares Henry Fleming's inner conflict as he wrestles with moral and ethical issues of war and argues for a definition of true courage. Be sure to support your position with evidence from the text.

- **US History:** What is the cost of freedom? After reading *Korematsu v. United States*, 323 U.S. 214 (1944), the Supreme Court decision upholding the internment of Japanese and Japanese-Americans during World War II, write an essay for fellow high school history students that compares the cases brought by the plaintiff and defendant and argues whether the court ruled rightly or wrongly on its constitutionality. Be sure to support your position with evidence from the text.

- **Science:** Is the expense of interplanetary exploration worth the cost? After reading the article, "Mars Rover Curiosity's Siblings: A Short History of Landings On Alien Planets" by Clay Dillow, write a fact guide for potential voters that compares the knowledge gained with the cost in doing so and argues its worth to humankind. Be sure to support your position with evidence from the text.