Turning Points in History: Impact and Change

Use these questions to focus your note-taking for all sections of your paper. You are free to add additional questions that arise through research. The number of notes per paragraph is suggested. You may need additional notes to explore both sides of the issues and gain a deeper understanding. You will cite this collected evidence in your paper & project.

Paragraph 2 (HISTORICAL CONTEXT)

What key factors influenced or CAUSED the exploration of the turning point?

- A. Who were key influential people that caused the turning point?
- B. What main events happened before that caused the turning point?
- C. What are the key ideas of the time period that influenced beliefs, behaviors, and or policies?
- D. What is the historical significance or the area, region, state, or country?
- E. What were the unique social standards of the time?
- F. What major laws or policies were key factors before? What issues arose from these laws or policies?
- G. Were there any economic (money) problems that contributed to the issue or topic?
- H. What were the environmental problems leading to the topic?

Paragraph 3 What was the turning point?

- A. What was the turning point?
- B. When and where did the turning point begin?
- C. Who were the people/groups involved in the turning point?
- D. What were the different perspectives about the moment in time?
- E. What were the goals?

Paragraphs 4,5,6 (Impact)

Describe the immediate impacts that developed during the turning point.

Choose 3 of the following to focus on or 1 for in-depth research. What key points were agreed upon?

A. Social: roles, behaviors, beliefs, practices, views, interactions, status...

- B. Political: governments, laws, enforcement, participation, war....
- C. Intellectual/Technological: academic, inventions, products, access, ability...

D. Cultural/ Religious: beliefs, practices, traditions, morals...

- E. Economic: businesses, trade, jobs, pay, currency, benefits...
- F. Environmental: dangers, limitations, supply, protection...

Paragraph 7 (Short-Term Change)

A. What are the examples of immediate change?

- B. What are both positive and negative effects of the change?
- C. How are individuals, communities, nations, or the world different today because of the decisions?
- D. Are there still changes occurring because of the original immediate effects?

Paragraph 8 (Long-Term SIGNIFICANCE & LEGACY)

- A. What are the examples of long-term change?
- B. What are both the positive and negative effects of the change?
- C. How are individuals, communities, nations, or the world different today because of the decisions?
- D. Are there still changes occurring because of the original immediate effects?
- E. What are the continuing influences found today?

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