

Civil War Journal Assignment:

You are to use the application on the iPad called “The Civil War Today.” This app is designed by the History Channel. It allows you to view the day-to-day during the Civil War in a newspaper form. It offers, drawings, photographs, news articles, quotes, personal accounts, maps and casualty rates.

You are to take the persona of an average person living during this time period. You can be a farmer, a mother, a soldiers, a business owner, or a free African American who has learned to read. From this person’s perspective you are to keep a journal from the start of the war until 1863, which is when the app stops. Each journal entry must be at least one paragraph in length (no less than 5 sentences) and your journal must have at least 20 journal entries.

The purpose of this assignment is to demonstrate your knowledge of the Civil War through 1863 through the eyes of someone who may have lived during this time period. Your journal entries should reflect your knowledge.

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Point of View	Skillfully demonstrates understanding of purpose through such elements as voice, audience, and rhetorical device.	Clearly demonstrates understanding of purpose through such elements as voice, audience, and rhetorical device.	Partially demonstrates understanding of purpose through such elements as voice, audience, and rhetorical device.	Does not demonstrate understanding of the purpose through such elements as voice, audience, and rhetorical device.
Creativity				
Clarity	Vocabulary, symbols and/or sentences clearly convey and enhance meaning.	Vocabulary, symbols and/or sentences clearly convey meaning.	Vocabulary, symbols and/or sentences occasionally detract from meaning.	Vocabulary, symbols and/or sentences detract from meaning.
Content	Sophisticated, appropriate evidence supports the controlling idea.	Adequate, appropriate evidence supports the controlling idea.	Minimal and/or inappropriate evidence supports the controlling idea.	Little or no evidence supports the controlling idea.
Synthesis	Demonstrates exceptional ability to synthesize by utilizing prior knowledge and connecting to broader world of ideas.	Demonstrates adequate ability to synthesize by utilizing prior knowledge and connecting to broader world of ideas.	Demonstrates partial ability to synthesize by utilizing prior knowledge and connecting to broader world of ideas.	Demonstrates little to no ability to synthesize or connect to broader world of ideas.

This assignment will be due on May 20th. You must turn this assignment in hard copy on the day of class.