THE LIFE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Topic: Abraham Lincoln

This final research paper will present a complex, polished analysis of one or two pieces of early American literature that we have covered in class or can be found in our textbook. You will support your ideas primarily with evidence from the texts themselves, but also with scholarly research. You can assume that your reader already knows the text and key events of the author’s life, so you should not spend time and space summarizing it. Instead, focus on the texts themselves. What do you have to say about the texts? Say it, and back it up with quotes from the text as well as from research. RUBRIC CONTENT: 1. Creates an original argument about one or two pieces of literature that we have covered in this class, looking at theme, rhetorical device, historical value, long-term application, other [2.Supports](https://2.Supports) analysis(es) using eviden‌‌‌‍‍‌‍‍‌‍‌‍‌‍‍‌‌‌‌ce from the text(s) itself/themselves 3. Supports analysis(es) using research from a minimum of 4 additional sources, including literary criticism found in academic books and journals, and select material online. Credibility of all online material must be verified (no Wikipedia or student projects posted on YouTube, for example)! MLA FORMAT: 1. Accurately cites all direct quotations as well as paraphrased information in MLA format; integrates quotations 2. Includes accurate MLA style Works Cited page 3. 6-8 pages of essay text, written in 12 point Times New Roman or 11 point Calibri font, double-spaced, one-inch margins; no title page Professional Academic Rhetoric: 1. Introduction and conclusion paragraph serve appropriately, include/restate clear thesis 2. Each paragraph built around one idea clearly linked to thesis presented in a logical order 3. Text is proofread and free of grammatical err‌‌‌‍‍‌‍‍‌‍‌‍‌‍‍‌‌‌‌ors