

Vietnam War In-Class Timed-Writing

Prompt: *Analyze the ways in which the Vietnam War significantly impacted the American homefront between the years of 1964 to 1975. Choose TWO of the following for the subjects of your body paragraphs:*

Political Impact

Social Impact

Economic Impact

Cultural Impact

Instructions:

* You will be writing an in-class timed writing essay and will have 45 minutes to write your response.

* **Your essay must include:** an **introductory paragraph** that includes background information and a clear thesis that responds to the prompt & **two body paragraphs** (one on each of your chosen subcategories from the list above) that each have a clear topic sentence, specific details as evidence, and clear analysis.

* **Recommended but not required:** (if you have time) a conclusion that both restates your thesis (in a new way) and puts the essay into historical context (how this served as the end of an era or influenced the later era).

* You will be encouraged to complete your **prewriting/brainstorming** for homework and choose your subcategories and list of details and evidence from your class notes, homework, and textbook and bring in one page of prewriting notes for class. You may NOT have prewritten sentences or paragraphs.

Things to include:

- An array of specific details Clear analysis
- A formal tone with minimal grammar errors
- Outside information not in the documents (things from notes, videos homework etc)
- **Take a clear stand throughout your essay**
- **You must cite documents using MLA Format**

Things to avoid:

- Slang or informal language
- Shifting verb tenses
- 1st person "I" "me" "we" or "our" statements or 2nd person "you" statements
- Pencil or colorful pens other than blue or black ink