**Honors US History Quarter One Essay Assignment**

Due: October 30th in class (if not turned in during class it will be marked late)

Assignment: Write an essay that compares and contrasts the north and the south in 18th Century America in three separate categories.

Sources: Texts (Brinkley, Hofstadter, Countryman) and one other published source (not the internet, but an actual book that has been printed on paper!)

Checklist:

* On time (deduct 10 points for each class day late)
* Typed
* Double Spaced
* One inch Margins
* Minimum/Maximum length: 4-7 pages
* No extra space between paragraphs
* 12 Times New Roman font (or equivalent)
* Clear thesis statement that specifically addresses essay assignment
* Clear topic sentences for each paragraph that describes the paragraph
* Introduction that *reviews the contents of the paper*
* Conclusion that *draws conclusions for the reader*
* Indent one half inch at beginning of each paragraph
* Evidence for argument (One quote per body paragraph to prove your point)
* References: Use proper MLA citation
* Quotes must come from the texts and secondary source
* Quotes that are three or more lines: Indent an additional half inch on left side, single spaced, no quotation marks, no italics
* Correct number of paragraphs
* No typographical errors
* Clarity of answer
* Bibliography Page

Required Structure

**I Introduction**

Thesis statement would list three similarities and three differences; introduction briefly reviews

**II Body One**

1. Topic sentence identifying 1st similarity

b. A few sentences describing topic sentence

c. Include at least one quote proving your point

d. Include a sentence explaining the quote

e. Concluding/transition sentence

**III Body Two**

1. Topic sentence identifying 2nd similarity

b. A few sentences describing topic sentence

c. Include at least one quote proving your point

d. Include a sentence explaining the quote

e. Concluding/transition sentence

**IV Body Three**

1. Topic sentence identifying 3rd similarity

b. A few sentences describing topic sentence

c. Include at least one quote proving your point

d. Include a sentence explaining the quote

e. Concluding/transition sentence

**V Body Four**

1. Topic sentence identifying 1st difference

b. A few sentences describing topic sentence

c. Include at least one quote proving your point

d. Include a sentence explaining the quote

e. Concluding/transition sentence

**VI Body Five**

1. Topic sentence identifying 2nd difference

b. A few sentences describing topic sentence

c. Include at least one quote proving your point

d. Include a sentence explaining the quote

e. Concluding/transition sentence

**VII Body Six**

1. Topic sentence identifying 3rd difference

b. A few sentences describing topic sentence

c. Include at least one quote proving your point

d. Include a sentence explaining the quote

e. Concluding/transition sentence

**VIII Conclusion**

(Review of topics / conclusions drawn from material described in paper)

Note: Here is where you can include some personal reflections and conclusion