**Global Studies**

**Thematic Essay Outline**

1. **Introduction** (Purpose: Briefly & succinctly introduce the topic you will discuss.)
2. **Opening Sentence** (This should be the most broad/ general statement of the paragraph):
3. **Narrowed Focus** (This should be more specific than your opening sentence, but less specific than your thesis.):
4. **Thesis Statement** (This indicates to the reader what, exactly, you will be discussing; it will be the most specific sentence of your introduction.):
5. **Body Paragraph One** ( First ‘task’, clearly organized)
6. **Topic sentence** (Smoothly shift the discussion from your thesis to the first task.):
7. **Supporting Evidence** (Convince the reader that you know the material by illustrating historical facts/ examples):
8. **Explanation/ Analysis** (Contextualizes, analyzes, and/ or demonstrates the historical significance of this topic):
9. **Body Paragraph Two** (Second ‘task’, clearly organized)

**A. Topic sentence** (Smoothly shift the discussion from your thesis to the first task**.):**

**B. Supporting Evidence** (Convince the reader that you know the material by illustrating historical facts/ examples):

1. **Explanation/ Analysis** (Contextualizes, analyzes, and/ or demonstrates the historical significance of this topic):
2. **Conclusion** (Draw your discussion to a close.)
3. **Transition** (Change the topic from Body II to a more general closure.):
4. **Brief summary/ Reflection** (Do not reiterate anything from the introduction verbatim.):
5. **Closing statement:**