**Directions**: Choose ***ONE*** of the following five topics, and write down which you select. Each topic will be closed out after six people have chosen it. Choose wisely, and stick to your specific **DUE DATE!**

Long Essay Questions

Write an essay to respond to one of the following questions. Your response should include the following.

* State a relevant thesis that directly addresses all parts of the question.
* Support your argument with evidence, using specific examples.
* Apply historical thinking skills as directed by the question.
* Synthesize the elements above into a persuasive essay that extends your argument, connects it to a different historical context, or connects it to a different category of analysis.

1. Evaluate the effectiveness of the system of mercantilism in the English colonies and its impact on the economic relationship between England and its American colonies. **DUE OCTOBER 19**

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1. Analyze why freedom of religion was important in the founding of some of the English colonies while being denied in others. **DUE OCTOBER 20**

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1. Analyze the impact of geography and the environment on the development of at least two different regions of the English colonies along the Atlantic coast in the 17th and 18th centuries. **DUE OCTOBER 21**

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1. Analyze the influence of TWO of the following on the development of a democratic society in the English colonies during the period from 1607 to 1745. **DUE OCTOBER 22**
   1. Bacon’s Rebellion
   2. Enlightenment
   3. Great Awakening
   4. Zenger Case

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1. Evaluate the extent to which the American Revolution was not a radical break with the past but was actually a conservative attempt to protect the status quo. **DUE OCTOBER 23**

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