

## US History

### Most Courageous American Essay

Your persuasive essay should clearly state why your candidate for the tournament is the most courageous American. It should contain a brief introductory paragraph with background information about your person that ends with a brief thesis revealing what makes him or her courageous. The rest of your essay should prove your thesis with examples of their courage. You must include one source for your essay and one direct quote.

#### Introductory Paragraph (10)

- Background Information (Hometown, Job, Family, etc. . . .)
- Ends in thesis statement  
( \_\_\_\_\_ is the most courageous American because . . . )

#### Body Paragraphs (30)

- 3 paragraphs about your candidates acts of courage.
- Topic sentence
- Supporting facts and evidence proving courage.
- Sell your candidate in these paragraphs
- Must have one quote in each paragraph.

#### Conclusion (5)

- Restate your thesis and summarize and sell your candidate.

#### Presentation (10)

- Grammar, Spelling, Punctuation

#### Works Cited (5)

- Minimum of one source
- MLA Format

#### Highlight Sheet (10)

- 5-10 details
- Picture

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#### Total Points (70)