

## Major Written Assignment Writing Guide 20-1

### 4 paragraphs

**Anyone who lives in Canada should see themselves as a Canadian first. Any other identity is unimportant.**

#### P1: Introduction (6-8 sentences)

- General introductory sentence- make a statement connected to source- how may some feel about this source?
- **Analyze the source!!** Identify the perspective (Ultrationalism, Supranationalism, Internationalism or Nationalism) and provide proof from the source to back it up. This will demonstrate that you have an understanding of the source. You should make 3-4 statements which you must back up/expand upon by using the source.
- **State your position (Thesis)-** Answer the main question of the major response: *To what extent should we embrace the ideological perspective(s) presented in the source?* (You can agree, disagree or sit somewhere in the middle)

Example thesis: ***Canada must continue to support its alliances abroad and push for more involvement in world events.***

- **Provide 2 general arguments** that support the position you are taking. THESE ARE NOT YOUR CASE STUDIES!! These are general arguments that demonstrate you have fully considered the perspective of the source.

Example argument:

***Canada needs to stay involved with supranational organizations around the world because it has strengthened our position in the world. Our involvement in these organizations strengthens not only our economy but also our military might.***

#### P2: Evidence Paragraph (1 Case Study)

- In your evidence paragraph you must: **support your position and arguments** by selecting a case study. This case study must be directly related to the position you have taken with the source. Develop your case study using concrete supportive details that back up WHY this case study is evidence.
- Example opening sentence for your case study paragraph: ***One example providing evidence in support of my belief that Canadian involvement in world alliances should be continued would be Canada's involvement with the supranational organization, the United Nations.***
- \*\*\* The final sentence of the case study should directly state how this case study supports your position. (mini summary sentence)

#### P3: Conclusion (4-6 sentences)

- Brief recap of the source and the position you have taken to the source.
- Briefly recap your case study emphasizing how they support your position.

**Major Writing Template Assignment 20-1**

Apply the following template to your written response.

<b>Paragraph 1</b>
<b>Opening statement which demonstrates a general understanding of the issue in question:</b>
<b>Perspective of the source:</b>
<b>Values and beliefs that people holding this perspective would hold. Identify at least 2 major values/beliefs.</b>
<b>Analysis and Interpretation of the source:</b>
<b>Statement of your position on the issue/topic raised by the source:</b>
<b>Two arguments/reasons that support your position:</b>  1.   2.

**Paragraph 2 - Case Study #1**

Topic sentence:

Describe Your Case Study:

Specific evidence that is from the case study that supports your position and argument (3)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Summary sentence to tie case study to source and position:

**Paragraph 3 - Case Study #2**

Topic sentence:

Describe Your Case Study:

Specific evidence that is from the case study that supports your position and argument (3)

- 1.

2.

3.

Summary sentence to tie case study to source and position:

#### **Paragraph 4**

Recap position:

Recap arguments:

Summarize how the case studies used support your position: