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Chapter 1: Intro to Civics Essay

Directions: *Through the last couple weeks we have introduced Civics and citizenship to you. To further your knowledge on the content, please select one of the below topics to research and write about. Feel free to use the below outline as a guide to your writing. However, you do not need to only limit yourself to the below outline. Be creative and don't be afraid to ask questions! Always use topic sentences to tell the reader what your paragraph is about and keep your essay organized. You should explain details or use examples for the reader to understand the message you are trying. Good luck!*

1. **Citizen Impacts**

- a. Introduction Paragraph
- b. Background on Citizen origins and their role
- c. Citizens Matter!
 - i. Explain ways citizens have help create a better world (Use examples)
 - ii. Explain how citizens have messed up or negative impacts of being uninvolved (What can it lead to?! Use examples)
- d. Reflection/Opinion (Citizenship/Civics important or not? EXPLAIN)
 - i. Give at least one example of how you can improve your community
- e. Conclusion Paragraph

2. **Discrimination of *Insert Group***

- a. Introduction Paragraph
- b. Background on the Immigration of the Group
- c. Discrimination in the past and their present condition
- d. Reflection/Opinion
- e. Conclusion Paragraph

3. **Censuses are COOL!**

- a. Introduction Paragraph
- b. Background Origin on Census in U.S. (and History)
- c. Compare and Contrast U.S. census vs. other countries
 - i. Where are we doing great
 - ii. Where can we improve
- d. Reflection on the importance of Census data
- e. Conclusion Paragraph

****Make sure to use sources properly with footnotes****