

Summary Paragraph

Assignment

“Investigating the Past” – Chapter 1

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Teacher’s Sample and Advice...

1. You are revisiting your original point... The essential question... Restate your main points in a way that lets the reader know that you have looked carefully at the essential question, all of the facts surrounding your study in chapter 1, and you have formed your own opinions about these ancient worlds...

(indent five spaces... push TAB... indicates the beginning of a new thought... paragraph)

Grab my attention and focus me on your essential question... Your main point.

↓ Start with the actual essential question... word for word... _____

Social Scientists are the key to unlocking the past... _____

Decoding the past from many perspective is the second key... _____

Ancient history is important to understand because it is a window to our future... _____

End with your personal revised essential question... _____

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Teacher’s Sample

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle once said, “The world is full of obvious things which nobody by any chance ever observes.” This is my main point of this investigation. We need many different types of social scientists to be trained in the ART of “C.S.I.” investigations into the ancient worlds. Why? Simply put... We need trained professionals to look through their “glasses” or perspective at the obvious and make connections for other people and scientists to investigate even deeper. This scientific approach to understanding the past allows us to look at the current evidence and artifacts... AND make “educated guesses” about the mysteries of the ancient world. In addition, it allows other scientists to review and try to see if my hypothesis or “educated guess” is on point or way out in left field.

