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Writing Exercise: Pilgrims, Puritans, and Planters.

GOAL: You should learn to write your thesis AFTER you write your body paragraphs.

Directions WITH A PARTNER, each of you should write one BODY paragraph. One person should write about why people left England to come to Virginia; the other should write about why people from England came to New England (Massachusetts). MAKE SURE YOUR PARAGRAPH HAS A TOPIC SENTENCE AND THREE EXAMPLES/EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THE TOPIC SENTENCE.

Then, SWITCH PAPERS with your partner.

READ your partners paragraph and write an INTRODUCTION Paragraph to BOTH of your body paragraphs on THIS PAPER. Remember to provide CONTEXT and have the LAST SENTENCE in the introduction serve as a THESIS (the main Idea of the ENTIRE ESSAY).

INTRODUCTION

First give your reader some CONTEXT, Why does anyone move from one place to another (hint: something either attracts them to a place or makes them want to leave another).

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Then in the SAME PARAGRAPH give a THESIS or main idea that fits both of your paragraphs (yours and your partners) together. Extra credit if you use a compound or complex sentence (use “although”).

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