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Fifth Grade Essay #6

March: Expository Essay/Report and Presentation

It is a fifth grade standard that "Students write narrative, expository, persuasive, and descriptive texts of at least 500 to 700 words in each genre." Students are required to write eight essays for homework this year, two in each genre. The **completed essay/report** is due _____. Final drafts should be written neatly in cursive or typed.

An expository essay is meant to inform and educate the reader. Students will be writing a state report and making an oral presentation. Your report will have **six** main parts:

I **Cover Page:**

- A. Illustration of the state
- B. Name of state above. State motto or slogan below. Capital City.
- C. Your name, school and date at bottom.

II **Table of contents:**

- A. Chapter headings and page numbers

III **Introduction:** This is the first paragraph of an essay. Here you let your reader know the essay's purpose, introduce the authors' opinion and/or purpose and grab the reader's attention.

- A. Description of state

- 1. How did the state get its name: _____

- 2. State flower: _____
State bird: _____
State motto: _____

Capital city: _____
Population: _____
Largest city: _____
Date of statehood: _____
Number out of 50 states: _____
- 3. Reason you chose this state: _____

IV **Body:** The body explains/supports the main idea. In this essay it is at **least** four paragraphs long. (4 paragraphs with chapter headings for A, B, C and D)

- A. Geography

- 1. Region of U.S.: North East, South East, Midwest, West, South West
include map