**American Revolution Test Essay**

You are to take the role of a journalist writing for an 18th century newspaper. The date is June 1776. You will be writing two separate articles from two perspectives. The first will be from the perspective of a Loyalist colonist, the second from a Separatist colonist. You will be arguing your perspective on whether or not the Americans should declare their independence from Great Britain.

You must include AT THE LEAST (but probably more) three specifics events in each of your articles that support your argument.

You must also include at least three documents that we have studied in class to support your statement (including: the Proclamation of 1763, the Stamp Act documents, the Boston Massacre multiple perspectives packet, Patrick Henry’s Liberty or Death speech). You may draw from other sources as well (as long as they have been properly cited).

Each article must be approximately 300 words.

This assignment is due on turnitin.com on by 11:59 PM on Wednesday November 5.

**IT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT TIME.**

Your grade on this assignment will be calculated using the following criteria:

* Appropriate length and format (professional writing style, is it well written?)
* Use of perspective and argument (how do you make your case? do you use appropriate arguments or ideas?)
* Use of primary sources
* Use of historical events

Side note: as this is from an 18th century perspective, you may get creative with your articles and attempt to write in the style from that period. Please do not use any *anachronisms* (references to events, items, or people who would not have been known). Also remember the date; **include no events AFTER June 1776**.