Leadership Essay Assignment

Directions:

Pick a prompt from below. Write an essay answering the prompt. Minimum of 1 page, double spaced, 12 point font.

- 1) A leader is defined as a person who guides or directs other people. He/she is a person who influences people. Yet many celebrities and musicians influence people in ways that are not good and which can actually be harmful. Are they still leaders? Write an essay on what you think the definition of a leader should be.
- 2) You may have heard the expression, "he's a born leader." Do you think that's true? Is someone a born leader or can he be taught to be a leader? If you think it's a skill which can be taught, what types of things can a person do to learn leadership skills? Write an essay giving several examples.
- 3) We all admire someone for their leadership skills. It might be a teacher, friend or family member. Pick one person whom you admire for their leadership skills and write about the traits that make them special and how they have influenced you in some way.
- 4) Write a letter to someone in your past that really made a difference in your life because of his/her leadership. Describe a specific experience that you remember vividly. Thank this person for their leadership.
- 5) There are several qualities one must have to become a great leader. Some of those include the ability to inspire, the ability to delegate, commitment, and confidence. Which quality do you think is the most important for a leader? Write an essay explaining why you chose that one quality.

Leadership Essay Rubric

Competencies	1 (introducing)	2 (developing)	3 (mastering)	Score
Use Of Time (C. 17)	Student uses some of their time to work productively and efficiently.	Students uses most of their time to work productively and efficiently.	Student uses their time to work productively and efficiently.	
Content & Quality (C. 18, D. 22, D. 23)	The essay does not address or answer the prompt. Essay has no style or voice. Lacks information and organization.	Most of the essay addresses or answers the prompt. Essay has interesting style and voice. Somewhat informative and organized.	All of the essay addresses or answers the prompt. Essay has excellent style and voice. Very informative and well organized.	
Content Spelling, Grammar, Punctuation (D. 23)	The project has 3-5 spelling, grammar, or punctuation errors with original content.	The project has 1—2 spelling, grammar, or punctuation errors with original content.	The project has excellent spelling, grammar, punctuation, and original content.	
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