**Task**

You will now expand on the basic research you have completed on your assigned explorer to write a thesis statement and an outline for an essay that answers the following question:

***What are the three most historically important things***

***we should know about this explorer?***

**Thesis Statement and Introduction**

The most important part of an essay is the thesis statement. As we discussed before, a thesis statement:

is a sentence that directly answers the question asked.

tells the reader your analysis and interpretation of the subject matter under discussion.

is a road map for the essay, telling the reader what to expect to learn from the rest of the essay.

**Outline**

The outline is a road map for the essay. It breaks the thesis statement down into its major arguments and includes the basic supporting evidence for each of these arguments. Thorough essays have at least two pieces of specific evidence to fully and completely support each argument. This evidence needs to be specific, such as an event, piece of legislation, action, movement, etc.

**Your outline must follow these format requirements:**

create a Google Doc on your school Google Doc account

name it like this: YOUR NAME EXPLORER NAME OUTLINE

double-spaced 12 pt. Times New Roman font with 1-inch margins

correct spelling and grammar in complete sentences

uses at least 5 sources in roughly equal proportions (do NOT use Wikipedia as a source)

footnoted source citations in Chicago Manual of Style format

**Your outline must contain the following:**

Your basic thesis statement:

Argument #1:

Evidence #1:

Evidence #2:

Argument #2:

Evidence #1:

Evidence #2:

Argument #3:

Evidence #1:

Evidence #2: