END OF YEAR REFLECTIVE ESSAY: a summative assessment in class Friday May 30 The goal of this "5 PARAGRAPH ESSAY" is for you to reflect upon what you have learned in BOTH Government and Economics this year. If you had to explain what you have learned in one summative statement—what would that one statement be? (For example, a summative statement for Biology might be "all life is interconnected".) In other words, what "Big Idea" have you learned? Your "summative" statement will serve as THESIS STATEMENT for your essay (and will set up your introduction).

Your thesis statement—or the "Big Idea" that you have learned should be supported by 3 EXAMPLES (= 3 topic sentences for 3 body paragraphs).

Each example should be substantiated (backed up) by relevant and quality EVIDENCE (specific detailed facts in the form of statistics, current events, laws, prices, real-life experiences, etc).

Your conclusion will tie everything together!

OPTION #2

Write a "5 PARAGRAPH ESSAY" that answers the question:

To what extent do you think YOUR LIFE will be impacted by income inequality?

Same directions as above apply (answer = thesis statement, support with 3 examples, etc)