

Step C. Letter

Background

What is participation in government? One example can be to propose a bill in hopes it becomes law. A legislator can introduce a bill to a legislative body on your behalf. Laws aim to correct societal wrongs, create/foster stability, and to protect/enhance rights of citizens. Therefore, select a topic of your concern or interest.

Use research from Step A and B as well as at least 1 other source. A works cited page must be included. See below. The letter will be directly mailed to the appropriate individual that you decide in-order to affect the change desired. You have the option to send as many letters to legislators or private individuals as possible.

Directions

- a) Task 1: must address both essential questions of the project. Task 2: must address **1** compelling question. It can come from the generated list provided or original created and pre-approved question.
- b) Use research collected from interview and own experiences to address the two tasks.
- c) Must use at least **1** source for information/research used to address the two tasks. A Works Cited page will be required- MLA Format. It will handed in via Google Doc. See attached document.
- d) The letter will be professionally structured and written. See attached documents. You will decide the best individual to receive letter in order to affect change. See attached documents.
- e) The introduction has been prewritten and will be shared via Google Doc. Use font size 12, times new roman font style, double-spaced. Construct letter in Google Doc. You are responsible ONLY for printing out your letter, not sending it.
- f) Must incorporate elements of Harvard University's Youth Participatory Politics Research Network- 10 Questions for Change Makers. See attached document.
- g) Will be graded using the writing rubric.
- h) Thorough completion of letter and submitted on time, counts as **2** test grades.

Structure of Letter

Body Paragraph 1: Context

Share lessons, ideas, and conclusions YOU learned from Step A and B.

Body Paragraph 2: Proposal, Rationale, and Persuasion

Explain your law (ideas/solutions) to address Task 1 and 2. Use research from Step A and B as well as sourced information and ethical reasons for the law's necessity. Explain how you will advocate for change towards the individuals from Step B.