

## Nevada (an Expository Essay Introduction)

by Damon, 6th grade writer



It was the greatest of states, yet it was the saddest of states. It was fun in the snow; however it was dismal during the droughts. Even though it was full of pretty mountain bluebirds, it was full of dangerous rattle snakes. Although we were a rich state from mining, mining scarred our state's environment. Because it was a fast growing state, our new houses destroyed animal habitats. All in all, I love living here.

---

## The American Revolution (an Expository Essay Introduction)

by Brandon, eleventh grade writer



It was a tragic war, yet it was a glorious revolution. It was a time of chaos while it was a time of organization. Traitors emerged, and revolutionaries were born. America became divided within; however, it evolved as an independent nation. It was a period of death and destruction, but it was also a period of life and hope. We have been defeated, although we have been victorious. It was the abolishment of long-standing tradition, yet it was the beginning of something new. But in the end of it all, it was a treasonous attempt towards Britain, and that was the very definition of patriotism towards America.